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JESSE—Reported killed on active service, January 13, 1941, Sergeant W. C. B. (Laddie) Jessé, D.F.M., R.A.F., beloved and only son of Mr. and Mrs. Jessé, 183 Rathgar road, Dublin. House private. No letters, please.

BIRTHS.

CLARE—January 3, 1941, at Hatch street Private Nursing Home, to Aggie, wife of Bernard J. Clare, 8 Tudor road, Cowper Gardens, Dublin, a daughter (Jeanne Patricia).

HODGINS—January 9, 1941, at Summerville Nenagh, to Kathleen Mary, wife of William L. Hodgins, LL.B., Solicitor, Nenagh, a daughter.

MAINWARING — January 11, 1941, at Ferozepore, India, to Rosemary (*née* St. George Smith), wife of Major R. Q. C. Mainwaring, Guides' Cavalry, a son.

VILLIERS-STUART—January 12, 1941, at Nakuru, Kenya, to Helen (*née* Daly), wife of Fitzgerald Villiers-Stuart, a daughter.

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DEATHS.

ADAMS—January 14, 1941, at his residence, Ashville, Antrim, Co. Antrim, John J. Adams, M.D., in his 92nd year. Funeral to-morrow (Thursday), at 11.30 a.m., to the family burying ground, Broughshane. House private.

BARRY—January 12, 1941, at his residence, "Ongar," Clonsilla, Co. Dublin, Major James D. Barry, late R.H.A., son of the late Lord Justice Barry. Remains were removed to St. Brigid's Parish Church, Blanchardstown, yesterday (Tuesday) at 3 o'clock. Requiem Mass this (Wednesday) morning at 11 o'clock. Funeral immediately afterwards to Clonsilla Cemetery.

BAYLISS—January 14, 1941, at Belvedere, Mullingar, James Bayliss, in his 94th year. For fifty-five years the faithful and devoted steward and head gardener at Belvedere House, Mullingar. Funeral to Moyliscar Church at 12 o'clock to-morrow (Thursday), 16th January.

BOURKE—January 13, 1941, at his residence, 32 Rugby road, Ranelagh, Dublin, John Bourke. Deeply regretted by his wife, nephews, nieces and relatives. "Thine for ever, God of Love." Funeral arriving Mount Jerome to-morrow (Thursday), 9.30 a.m.

CHETWODE CRAWLEY—January 14, 1941, at a Dublin Hospital, William Stoker, beloved husband of Eleanor Chetwode Crawley. Service at Sandford Church at 9.30 to-morrow (Thursday), and afterwards at Mount Jerome. Funeral strictly private. No flowers.

FLEMING — January 11, 1941, George Fleming, of 11 Mary street, Clonmel, beloved husband of Florence Fleming. "Father, in Thy gracious keeping, Leave we now our loved one sleeping."

GOODBODY—January 14, 1941, at 24 Ailesbury road, Edith Lizetta Goodbody, widow of Lewis Goodbody, Clara. Funeral private. No flowers, please.

HANNA—January 13, 1941, suddenly, at his residence, Greenbank, Cultra, Co. Down, Thomas Hanna. House and funeral strictly private. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing nieces and nephew, Elizabeth and Robert Elliott and Eleanor Hanna.

JENKINSON—January 10, 1941, at Clonbullogue, Offaly, William, aged 71 years. "Abide with me."

McHUGH—January 13, 1941, at the residence of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Healy, Milverton, Skerries, Cecilia M., widow of the late John McHugh, late of Athy, and Guest House, Skerries. Funeral from St. Patrick's Church to Holmpatrick Cemetery, 3 o'clock, to-day (Wednesday).

MAGEE—Monday, 13th January, 1941, at 4 Wilton place, Ellen K. Magee, daughter of the late John Magee. Interment will take place to-day (Wednesday) at Mount Jerome Cemetery.

O'GORMAN—January 13, 1941, at his residence, 19 O'Connell street, Waterford, Thomas O'Gorman. R.I.P. Office and High Mass at the Cathedral at 10.15 a.m. to-day (Wednesday). Funeral at 1 p.m., for interment at St. Mary's, Ballygunner.

PYE—January 13, 1941, at a private nursing home, Galway, Mary E. Pye, widow of the late Professor Joseph P. Pye, University College, Galway. "Requiescat in Pace." Funeral to-day (Wednesday), after 11 o'clock Mass, from St. Joseph's, Galway, to New Cemetery.

STUDDERT—January 10, 1941, at her residence, 26 Westfield road, Rathmines, Rosamond, late of Croom Rectory, and Fuh Kien, South China, beloved wife of Thomas de Clare Studdert. Laid to rest January 14th, at Mount Jerome. "Till He come."

TOWNSEND—January 11, 1941, at Torquay, late of 39 Gloucester road, London, S.W.7, Mary Younge, wife of the late Major Charles Chetwode Townsend, Royal Artillery, and daughter of the late Professor and Mrs. Edward Townsend, of Galway, Ireland.

WILLIAMSON—January 11, 1941, suddenly, at her residence, Cortubber House, Kingscourt, Emma, daughter of the late Gerald Williamson. Funeral took place Monday to Ervey.

WINDER—January 9, 1941, Annie Margaret, 21 Strand road, Sandymount, daughter of the late Robert and Elizabeth Winder. Deeply mourned. Interment took place at Mount Jerome on Saturday last.

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DECREES AGAINST COUNTY COUNCIL

FAILURE TO MAINTAIN DRAINAGE SCHEME

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

NENAGH, Tuesday.

Eleven farmers, all land-owners in the Kilmastulla drainage district, were plaintiffs in actions before Judge Sealy at Nenagh for damage to their lands by the failure of North Tipperary County Council to maintain the drainage scheme handed over to them by the Board of Works in 1924.

The following decrees were awarded:—Timothy McKenna, £255; J. Hayes, £116; W. Bonfield, £170; M. Gleeson, £115; J. Looby, £190; J. Maher, £134; Margaret Mulcahey, £184; D. Quinn, £120; C. Clarke, £48.

BRITAIN SPENDING £12,000,000 DAILY

British Exchequer returns for the eleven days ended last Saturday show that the supply services cost £130,981,000, an average of £11,907,000 a day. Interest and management of Britain's debt accounted for £8,839,053.

Total ordinary expenditure was £142,466,315. Revenue amounted to £83,990,439, leaving a deficit of £58,475,876 The main source of revenue was income tax (£43,873,000). Customs and Excise came next with £13,775,000, followed by surtax, £11,900,000. Excess profits tax yielded £3,253,000, estate duties £1,884,000, and National Defence contribution £1,687,000.

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AFFAIRS OF ALLIED IRONFOUNDERS

£20,000 DEBENTURE ISSUE CRITICISED

Having received an undertaking from the chairman that the directors would give them their co-operation, the shareholders of Messrs. Allied Ironfounders (Ireland), Ltd., at their annual meeting in the Shelbourne Hotel, Dublin, yesterday, adopted the company's report and statement of accounts, and set up a committee to meet the directors at a later date in Waterford and discuss the management of the firm with them.

Mr. R. J. Hearne, Waterford, chairman, said that the committee of the shareholders would be given every facility and would have access to the firm's books.

Having regard to this undertaking, a motion to postpone the adoption of the accounts for one month was withdrawn.

Mr. John Harpur, Waterford, criticised the issue to the English company of Debentures to the value of £20,000, and asked had steps been taken to meet the amount when it became due.

MR. A. H. MASSER'S POSITION

Alderman James Aylward, Mayor of Waterford, said that the shareholders in Waterford were not satisfied at the way in which the company was being run. The directors, he said, had committed them by issuing Debentures to the English company. He criticised also the position of Mr. A. H. Masser, to which he applied the description "invidious," because, he said, of his position as director and chief of the sales side of the company. Mr. Masser, he added, was an employer and a servant of the company at the same time, and he thought that Mr. Masser should reconsider that position.

Mr. J. J. Wylie, Waterford, said that he regarded Mr. Masser's position as irregular.

CRITICISM "UNJUST"

The Chairman said that the criticism of Mr. Masser was unjust, because no one had worked harder for the company. In the last year, under Mr. Masser's direction, the sales had gone up over thirty-three per cent. above those of the previous year.

Moving the adoption of the report and statement, Mr. Hearne commented on the difficulty being experienced by industries which depended on imported raw materials, and adverted to certain conferences and preliminary negotiations which had taken place with a view to overcoming it. He expressed the view that it would be in the best interests of the shareholders not to discuss what was being done. The shareholders, he said, could be absolutely satisfied that the directors would not commit them in any way without putting the position fully before them.

WHY BALANCE SHEET WAS ABRIDGED

Notwithstanding those difficulties, the foundry had been operating successfully, and the output and volume of business had been substantially increased. After the first few weeks of the year there had been no slowing down in output, and on the whole year sales had increased to the extent of over 33½ per cent. The balance sheet had obviously been abridged this year, it being desirable, in view of determined opposition to withhold from competitors any indication of the firm's activities, extension of plant, etc. The directors were satisfied that the best use was being made of the assets of the company, and although they were not satisfied with the profit the accounts showed better results than previously.

Mr. R. J. Hearne was unanimously re-elected a director on the proposal of Alderman J. Aylward, Mayor of Waterford, seconded by Mr. J. J. Wyley.

IRISH EXCHEQUER RETURN

INCOME AND OUTLAY STILL RISING

The Exchequer return for the period April 1, 1940, to January 11, 1941, shows that revenue is £1,844,610 higher, and expenditure £2,002,702 more than in the same period of 1939-40.

Totals:—

REVENUE		EXPENDITURE	
1940-41	£24,716,412	1940-41	£26,513,684
1939-40	£22,871,802	1939-40	£24,510,982
Higher	£1,844,610	More	£2,002,702

The revenue last week amounted to £977,000, compared with £1,076,599 in the corresponding week last year, and expenditure to £1,900, compared with £28,900.

AGGREGATE FIGURES.
The aggregates for two years are appended:—

REVENUE	April 1, '40, to Jan. 11, '41.	April 1, '39, to Jan. 13 '40.
	£	£
Customs	9,935,000	8,730,000
Excise	4,505,000	4,945,000
Motor Duties	459,000	304,000
Estate Duties	1,052,000	749,000
Stamps	423,000	629,000
Income Tax	3,473,000	2,936,000
Corporation Profits	257,000	309,000
Excess Profits	25,000	32,000
Post Office	1,495,000	1,565,000
Land Annuities	891,779	927,684
Sundry Receipts	1,800,633	1,555,178
Total Revenue	24,716,412	22,871,802
EXPENDITURE.	£	£
Central Fund Services	3,721,554	3,473,546
Supply Services	22,791,730	21,037,436
Total Expenditure	26,513,684	24,510,982

EXCHEQUER BALANCE.
There were no "other receipts" or issues. The balance in the Exchequer on January 11, 1941 was £1,845,346, compared with £3,842,783 on the corresponding date last year, and £3,622,659 on April 1, 1940

DUBLIN

PROFIT-TAKING IN HOME RAILS

BANK OF IRELAND RECOVERS

There was a good accumulation of orders on the Dublin Stock Exchange yesterday, but interest was again mainly confined to Irish securities, which made an active showing. There was some selling in progress, with the result that the tone was irregular.

Home Government Funds were still quite busy and prices for the most part held steady. Financial Agreement Loan rose a fraction, but 4 p.c. Land Bonds fell 10s. to 103; 3½ p.c. War Loan tended higher and Dublin 3½ p.c. 1955-80 was raised to 93½. Bank of Ireland stock opened dull at 281, but later recovered to 282 on the final dividend announcement of 7 p.c., again making 12½ p.c. for the year. The preliminary figures suggest an improvement in profits. Hibernians shaded off to 35s. x.d.

Guinness units yielded several pence to 69s. 6d. There was profit-taking in Home Rails and Great Northern Pref. eased to 7½ and the Guar. to 34½. Great Southern Guar. fell to 26½. This set-back was only to be expected in view of the recent sharp advances. Support was again in evidence for Dublin Tram Ord. and Alliance Gas Ord., and they improved to 13s. and 21s 9d. respectively. Browne and Nolan Pref. jumped 3s. to 20s. and Brooks Thomas Pref. moved up to 20s. 9d. Cement Ord. inclined to harden, but the Pref. shaded off to 27s. 9d. Ever Ready (Ireland) Pref. made headway to 22s., but May Roberts (Ireland) Ord. dipped to 43s. 6d. The rest of the Irish Industrial list presented a steady appearance

Imperial Tobacco Ord. added pence at 100s. and Imperial Chemical Ord. repeated 29s. 9d. Leyland Motors Ord. quoted 63. 9d., Courtaulds Ord. 31s. 10½d. and Canadian Eagle Oils 8s. 4½d.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS

*Odd lot. a asked. b bid. c cash.
(Previous prices in parentheses.)

GOVERNMENT FUNDS.

5 p.c. Second National Loan.....(111¼) *111¼
Do. Deed .....(111) *111
4½ p.c. Third Loan (under £200).....109¾ ¾
3½ p.c. Fourth Loan .....(101¼) 101¼
Do. (under £200) .....(101¼) 101
4 p.c. Conversion Loan (under £200) .....(104) 104¼
3¾ p.c. Financial Agreement .....(104¾) 104½
Do. (under £200) .....(103⅝) 104
4 p.c. Exchequer Bonds (under £200) 106
4½ p.c. Land Bonds .....(111¼) *111½ ¼
Do. (under £200) .....(111) 111
4½ p.c. New Land Bonds (under £200).....107
4 p.c. Land Bonds (under £200) .....(103½) 103
Do. (under £200) .....(103¼) 102⅝
2½ p.c. Consols .....(77⅛) *77⅜
3½ p.c. War Loan .....(103) 103⅛
Do. (under £200) .....(103) 103

CORPORATION STOCKS.

Dublin 3½ p.c. 1955/'80 .....(93) 93½
Do. 4¼ p.c. 1955/'77 .....(103) *103

BANKS.

Bank of Ireland .....(282) 281 2
Hibernian .....(35/3) 35/-
National .....(35/-) 35/-

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES.

Guinness Ord. .....(70/3) *69/9 *9/6

SHIPPING.

Coast Lines 6 p.c. Pref. .....(10/3) *10/3

RAILS, TRAMS, AND GAS.

Great Northern Pref. .....(8) 7¾
Do. Ord. .....(35) 34½
Great Southern Pref. .....(10½) 10
Do. Ord. .....(27½) 26¾
Do. Deb. .....(51½) 52b 53a
Bombay Baroda Ord. 107
Sonuthern Perfd. Ord. 51
Dublin Tram Ord. .....(12/6) *13/-
Alliance Gas Ord. .....(21/7½) 21/7½ 1/9

BAKERY AND MILLING.

Ranks (Ireland) Pref. .....(25/1) 25/-

IRISH INDUSTRIALS.

Brooks, Thomas Pref. .....(20/6) 20/9
Browne and Nolan Pref. .....(17/-) 20/-
Cement Ord. .....(33/-) 33/3
Do. Pref. .....(28/-) 27/9
Clondalkin Paper Ord. .....(5/9) 5/9
Do. New 5/9
Ever Ready (Ireland) Pref. .....(21/1½) *22/-
Greenmount and Boyne Linen Pref. 20/-
Helys Ord. .....(43/-) *43/-
Irish American Oil Pref. .....(19/-) *19/-
Irish Tanners Ord. .....(7/9) 7/9
May, Roberts (Ireland) Ord. .....(44/-) *45/6
Do. Pref. .....(21/3) *21/3
Mooney (J. G.) Pref. .....(95/1) *93/-

BRITISH INDUSTRIALS.

Assoc. Cement Ord. 60/3
Canadian Eagle Oil 50/-
Carreras "C" Pref. 8 4½
Courtaulds Ord. 20/6
Imperial Chemical Ord. .....(31/6) *31/10½
Imperial Tobacco Ord. .....(29/9) 29/9
International Nickel Common .....(99/6) *99/6 100/-
Leyland Motors Ord. 36
.....63/9

IRISH BANKS' RATE

Irish Banks' rate (changed Oct. 26, 1939)... 3 %
Loans on Government Stocks transferred.... 3½%
Deposits under £2,000 ..... 1 %
Deposits of £2,000 and over 1¼%
The foregoing rates are subject to variation.

LONDON

CHEERFUL AND BUSIER

CHIEF INTEREST IN OIL SHARES

FURTHER BUYING OF J. AND P. COATS

ALTHOUGH profit-taking made for irregularity in some directions, the London Stock markets, as a whole, maintained a cheerful atmosphere yesterday, and, if anything, business was rather more active than on Monday, when nearly 3,000 bargains were officially recorded, this figure comparing with 2,300 on Monday of last week and with 2,100 last Friday.

Principal attention was again focused on Oil shares, where the possibilities of an early settlement over oil properties were responsible for continued activity in the Eagle "Twins." Mexicans improved afresh to 8a. 1½d., whilst the Canadian issue went ahead to 8a. 9d. At the same time, Burmahs were prominent, and the advance in "Shells" and Anglo-Iranians continued.

Investment issues remained on the quiet side, but, while British Rails were allowed to ease further in places, British Government securities made a firmer showing.

Leading Industrials again provided several good features, outstanding among them being sustained buying from provincial centres of Coats

FOOD AND PRODUCE MARKETS

CATTLE.

MANCHESTER PIG.—Rather better supplies were available at Water street, the collecting centre under the Government scheme, and the quality was generally of a very satisfactory character. The bulk of the supply was again allocated to curing establishments.

MANCHESTER.—There was a fair entry of fat cattle at Mode Wheel the collecting centre under the Government control scheme, and the quality was satisfactory more young stock being offered than of late. Sheep were in fair supply, and a few calves were also available. After grading the animals were allocated to Government slaughter-houses.

GRAIN.

DUBLIN GRAIN.—Light supplies, with oats firmer at 20/- to 22/-, and wheat 35/- per barrel.

THE BALTIC.—WHEAT—A quiet demand prevailed at recent levels. The following are f.o.b. quotations:—No. 1 Northern Manitoba (St. John-Halifax) second half March 35/6, first half April 33/7½, second half April 33/9, ditto (Vancouver) first half January 27/-, No. 2 ditto 26/3, No. 1 Canadian Western Garnet first half January 24/6, No. 2 ditto 24/1½, No. 1 Northern Manitoba (Baltimore) first half February 32/9, second half February 32/10½, first half March 33/1½, No. 2 ditto first half February 32/-, second half February 32/1½, first half March 32/4½, Australian (bulk) January-February 26/-, new crop ditto 27/-, Rosafe (63½lb.) new crop January-February 20/3 per 480lb. MAIZE slow. Plate January 19/-, No. 2 white flat African (bulk) January-February 17/-, No. 3 also No. 5 ditto 16/9, No. 6 yellow round ditto 17/3 per 480lb. BARLEY dull. Plate 64-65 kilos January-February 8/9 per 400lb.

PROVISIONS.

DUBLIN POULTRY.—Supplies well up to average for season but, with buyers in a cautious mood, sales ruled slow, and values tended easier at Chickens 1/4 to 1/6 per lb., smalls 1/6 to 2/- each; hens 10d. to 1/-; geese, 9d. to 1/- per lb.; guinea fowl in feathers, 2/6; rabbits, 1/3 to 1/5; pheasants 4/- to 4/6; wild duck, 1/6 to 1/9; hares 1/6; golden plover, 6d. to 8d., green 3d. to 3d.; widgeon, 8d. to 9d.; teal, 6d.; snipe, 3d. to 4d. each.

DUBLIN POTATO.—Moderate supplies, with sales fair at: Tipperary dates, champions, and Kerr's pink, 6/5; others 5/6 to 6/- per cwt.

DUBLIN BUTTER AND EGG.—Butter stocks continue short, with ration quantities readily cleared at 159/- per cwt. Eggs offering more freely, with export trade steady. Local sales not so satisfactory at: Specials 27/- to 27/5, standards 25/9 to 26/6, selected 24/6 to 25/-; pullets, 22/6 to 24/-, and ducks scarce around 24/- per 120.

MANCHESTER MEAT.—Better supplies of home-killed beef were included in a well-balanced allocation. Home-killed beef—Sides, first quality 9d., seconds 7d.; hinds, firsts 10d., seconds 8d.; fores, firsts 8d., seconds 6d. per lb. First quality lamb 1/- per lb. Pigs—Carcases, 1/-, less heads 1/0½ per lb. Imported beef—Hinds 8d., fores 6d., crops and ribs and ponies 6½d. Mutton 6d., lamb 9d. per lb.

MANCHESTER GAME AND POULTRY.—With price control for dead poultry now in operation, the position is very difficult, and dealers are unwilling to commit themselves until more settled conditions prevail. Arrivals of game about sufficient for the demand. Pheasants 14/- young partridge 6/-, old 2/6 per brace. Rabbits, unskinned 7d. per lb.; brown hares 5/-, blue 2/- to 2/6 per couple.

GRIMSBY FISH.—Large lemon soles 26/-, medium 26/- to 28/-; small plaice 25/- to 27/-, medium 30/-, large 29/-, best 29/-; jumbo haddocks 16/-, medium 16/-, small 14/- to 15/-, sprags 16/-haddocks, sprags (heads on), cod 18/- to 20/-; small halibut 26/- coalfish 15/-, roker 17/6, dogfish 18/-, whiting 17/6, smoked haddocks 23/- to 27/-, codlings 22/ to 23/ per stone.

DUBLIN FISH.—Improved supplies included 223 boxes from one trawler 3 lots lobsters, 50 boxes herrings, and a large amount from country and local senders. Demand fair at: Lobsters 10/- to 45/- per 13, soles, black 1/6 to 2/6, turbot 1/2 to 1/4, brill 1/- to 1/4, halibut 1/9 to 1/10 per lb., plaice 40/- to 98/-, cod 40/- to 90/-, whiting 12/- to 80/-, ray 22/- to 35/-, hake 86/-, haddock 45/- to 83/-, gurnard, red 17/- to 24/-; white soles 44/- to 97/-, monkfish 70/-, flounders 20/- to 61/-, and herrings 30/- to 35/- box.

DUBLIN FRUIT AND VEGETABLE.—Cabbage in heavy supply and cheaper, other home-grown arrivals small and well placed. York cabbage, large 25/- to 71/-, small 10/- to 20/-. Savoy, large 15/- to 50/-, extra 60/-, small 8/- to 25/- load; swedes 2/- to 3/-, mangolds 1/9, onions 40/- to 42/- per cwt., cauliflowers 4/- to 5/-, seconds 1/- to 2/-, lettuce, indoor 1/6 to 2/-; red cabbage 1/6 to 2/- doz., beet 2/- to 3/-, leeks 2/- to 10/-, carrots 1/6 to 2/6 doz. bundles, 6/- to 12/- bag; parsnips 5/6 to 8/6, parsley 1/6 to 2/6, chip 6d. to 9d.; sprouts 2/- to 4/-, artichokes 1/6 to 2/-, mushrooms 2/6 lb., turnips 6d. to 10d., celery 1/6 to 6/-, kale 4d. to 6d., cress 6d., horse radish 1/-, thyme and sage 2d., scallions 8d. to 1/- bunch. Apples, dessert 20/- to 24/- box, cooking 18/- to 21/- keg, and 29/- to 40/- barrel. Imported fruits scarce, with values firm at: Oranges 50/-, lemons 55/- to 70/-, grape fruit 50/- to 60/- case, and pears 50/- box.

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PRODUCE.

LONDON.—COCOA—Accra G/F spot in bond quoted 55/-, Ceylon plantation 60/- to 75/-, Trinidad first marks 70/- to 75/-, St. Thoms 50/-, Venezuelan unclayed 85/- to 110/-, Puerto Cabello fine 110/- to 120/- per cwt. **RICE** dull and easier. Siam one-star Jan.-Feb. quoted 11/7½, super 11/3 per cwt. c.i.f. Yokohama-type steady, but idle. Black Lampong spot in bond sellers 54d., white Muntok ditto 84d., white Java quoted 84d. Cloves—Zanzibar spot sellers 11½d., Madagascar ditto 11d. Pimento—Spot 1/5½ per lb. Jan.-Feb. 1/2½ per cwt. Ginger—African spot 80/-. Cochin unbleached ditto 75/-. Tapioca—Singapore flake London Standard Jan.-Feb. 34/-, ditto seed quality 29/6 per cwt. c.i.f. **JUTE**—Dundee Daisee £25 10/- per ton c.i.f. **HEMP**—Manila, fair grade £26, £28 10/- per ton c.i.f. **SISAL**—African No. 1 £26, No. 2 £25, No. 3 £24 per ton c.i.f. **SHELLAC**—Fair T.N. spot 87/6 for shipment, 77/9 c.i.f. and f.o.b. Garnet spot 100/-, pure button ditto 115/-, fine orange 110/- to 170/- per cwt. **RUBBER** quiet and values the turn easier. Sheet spot sold 1/0⅞ to 1/0¾, Jan. to June buyers 1/0¼, July-Sept. sold 1/0⅞, fine hard Para spot sellers 1/1 per lb. **OILS**—Linseed: Raw £41 10/-, Boiled £42 5/-, Cottonseed Crude £31 2/6, washed £44 5/-, refined £35 12/6, deodorised £36 10/-. Soya Bean: Crude £33, refined £37. Groundnuts: Crude £35 10/-, refined deodorised £40, hardened £44. Cocoanut: Crude £28 2/6, refined deodorised £31 7/6, refined hardened £35 17/6. Palm Kernel: Crude £27 10/-, hardened £35 5/-. Castor: Firsts £57, seconds £55. Whale: Crude £30 10/- to £31 10/-, refined hardened £33 to £35 10/-. No. 3 £26 10/- per ton net naked ex mill or works. Pe m Oil: C.i.f. in bulk £17 5/-, loan drums £19 5/-, returnable casks £18 15/-. Rosin ranged from 23/- to 30/- per cwt. **OIL-SEEDS**—The following are approximate shippers' indications on the basis of the Government freight and insurance terms:—Linseed: Calcutta Jan. £18 11/3, Bombay ditto £19 2/6, Plate new crop Jan.-Feb. £11 10/-. Rapeseed: Toria Jan.-Feb. £15 10/-. Groundnuts: Coromandel Jan.-Feb. £17 5/-. Cottonseed: Egyptian black Jan. £8 2/6 per ton.

MISCELLANEOUS.

DUBLIN HAY AND STRAW.—Hay supplies under average, and met a sharp demand and early clearance at firmer rates. Best quality, 6/- to 6/8, secondary 5/3 to 5/9, and old meadow 3/9 to 5/9 per cwt., according to class. Straw in short supply, with plenty of buyers at 3/3 to 3/6 per cwt.

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NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

SMALL PRICE CHANGES

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

NEW YORK, Tuesday.

Dealings were leisurely, and there was no change in the underlying character of the Stock Market, but business and foreign news was not stimulating. Of the 757 issues traded in, the turnover of 470,000 shares, 161 were higher, 98 were lower, and 198 were unchanged.

The uncertain status of British-owned securities and the legislative battle on the bill for British aid restricted the volume to a trickle. The market was dull and barely steady during the morning. The Steels showed losses up to a point, where resistance appeared. Net changes elsewhere were very small and few, but no pressure was apparent. The Rail group made no response to the 15,000,000 dollars equipment programme. Motors and Steels were easy in face of predictions that the ingot rate will soon exceed 100 per cent. of capacity. Further movements were very few and small, but the market generally inclined higher.

The close was steady.

	Tues.	Mon.
Call Money	1%	1%
London Cables	4.03¾	4.03¾
Montreal Cables	4.69¼	4.69¼

Parity.	Stocks.	Closing Bid Tues.	Mon.
415/16	Baltimore and Ohio	4	4
4.86	Canadian Pacific	3⅝	3⅞
911/16	Louisville and Nashville	65⅞	66⅛
17.6	N.Y. Central	14⅝	14⅝
260.3	Norfolk and W. Common	210	212
.20.6	Pennsylvania	23⅞	24
17.4	Reading	14⅝	14½
11	Southern Pacific	8⅞	9
15.15	Southern Railway	12¾	13⅝
109.4	Union Pacific	83¼	83½
	INDUSTRIALS.		
201	Allied Chemical	162¼	168
—	American Locomotive	—	—
—	American Metal	—	—
113.12	American Can	91¼	93¾
54.4	American Smelting	41¾	44¼
207.12	American Tel. and Tel.	167⅜	167⅝
32.5	Anaconda Copper	26⅜	26½
107.16	Bethlehem Steel	87	87½
201	Case (J. I.)	—	—
86.15	Chrysler Corp.	69⅜	69¾
170.16	Eastman Kodak	138	139½
43.8	General Electric	35	34¾
58.8	General Motors	47⅛	47¾
31.11	International Nickel	25⅜	25¼
3.2	Do. Tel. and Tel.	2⅞	2¾
44.12	Kennecott Copper	35¼	36⅛
8.16	Radio Corporation	4⅝	4¾
14.4	Shell Union	11⅞	12
28.15	U.S. Rubber	23⅜	23⅛
83.15	U.S Steel Common	67¾	68½
160.4	Do. Preferred	129⅝	129⅝
42	Woolworth	33⅞	34⅛
—	Silver Com. Bars	34⅜	34¾
5.7	Brazilian Traction	4¾	5
10.12	B.A. Tobacco Coupon	8¼	8¼ †
	BONDS.		
—	U.S. Treasury 3¼% '46-56	—	—
14.16	7% German External Loan	11¾	11½

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE

Eng. Equiv.		Closing Bid Tues.	Mon
176¼	Bell Tel. (Canada)	158	158
7.16	Brazilian T.L. and P.	1⅛	1⅛
28.16	B.C. Power "A"	25½	—
1.2	Do. "B"	1.25	1.25
10.16	Canadian Car and F.	9¼	9½
28¼	Do. Preferred	25¼	25½
21.4	Canadian Celanese Com.	28	28
136¼	Do. Pref	122¼	122½
6¼	Canadian Cement	6	6
6.16	Canadian Pacific	5⅝	5⅞
5.16	Cockshutt Plow	4⅞	5
42.12	Con. M. and Smelt.	38	38½
29.16	Distillers' Seagrams	26¾	26⅝
88.8	Dom. Textiles	79	—
11.16	Imperial Oil	10	10⅛
14.12	Imperial Tobacco (Canada)	13¼	13¼
40.12	International Nickel of Canada	36¼	36¼
17.8	International Petroleum	15½	15½
35.8	Massey Harris	26¼	26¼
31.8	Montreal Light and Heat	28½	28¾
29.8	National Brewers	26¾	26¾
—	National Steel Car	—	37½
6.16	Power Corp. (Canada)	5½	5½
14.16	Quebec Power	13¼	13⅛
17.8	Shawinigan Water	15¾	16¼
11.16	Southern Canadian Power	10	10
76.16	Steel Co. of Canada	68	69
14.16	Hollinger Mines	12⅞	12⅞
56.16	Noranda Mines	55¼	56
212.16	Bank of Montreal	190	191
—	Canadian Bank of Commerce	—	160
184.12	Royal Bank of Canada	165	165
	CURB PRICES.		
49.12	Hiram Walker	44¼	44½
21.12	Lake Shore Mines	19¼	19
55.16	McIntyre Porcupine	49¼	49⅜

† Ex dividend.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKETS

Wheat steady, unchanged to 1c. up. No. 1 Northern Manitoba spot c.i.f. New York 87⅝. No. 2 Manitoba spot c.i.f. New York 86⅛. No. 2 hard winter spot c.i.f. New York 109⅛. No. 2 red winter spot 109¼. **Maize** steady, 1c. up. Western No. 2 mixed spot 80. **Oats** steady, 1c. higher. No. 2 white per 36lb. c.i.f. New York 51¾. **Rye** steady, 1c. gain. No. 2 spot f.o.b. New York 65⅝. **Barley** steady, 1c. down. No. 2 New York all growths Federal inspected 57⅛. **Flour** unchanged. **Lard** steady, generally unchanged. **Petroleum** steady Mid-continent crude 36 deg. Baume at well, per barrel, 102 cents; Pennsylvania crude (barrel at well) lower price 112 cents., representing corning crude; higher price 215 ditto ditto Bradford and Allegheny. **Suriaps** steady. Hessian cloth light-weight (cents per lb.) 6.15, heavy 8.15. **Tallow** steady. Spot extra loose 6¼, spot special extra 4⅞, spot in tierces 5¼. **Cotton Seed Oil** steady. Spot 10 points down. Futures 3 to 8 points down. Contract basis bleachable prime summer yellow grade. Spot 6.65. Closing options—January 6.67, March 6.63, May 6.71. **Shellac**—T.N. 16. **Turpentine** (bulk basis)—Spot 36¼. **Tin** quiet, unchanged. **American Standard Copper** irregular, 2 points up to 2 points down. Closing options—March 11.10 to 11.13, May and July 11.16 to 11.19, September 11.14 to 11.19, October 11.13 to 11.19. **Coffee** on spot closed barely steady, with both Rio and Santos unchanged. In futures, the market closed barely steady, with Rio generally 3 points lower and Santos 6 to 8 points down. **Cocoa**—Spot 5¼. Futures closed steady, 2 to 4 points down. **Sugar** on spot closed steady and unchanged at 2.95. In futures, the old contract closed irregular 1 point lower to unchanged while the new contract finished steady at 1 point to 2½ points higher. **Cotton** on spot closed 8 points lower at 10.45 (nominal). Futures opened steady but at 6 to 2 points down. Prices finally declined under spot house and New Orleans selling, closing easy at 9 to 7 points lower. At New Orleans spot closed 6 points down at 10.16 (nominal). Futures opened 4 points to 1 point lower, and closed 7 to 10 points down. **Rubber Futures** (No. 1 contract). Closing options—January 19.88, March 19.89, May 19.75, July 19.65. Outside Prices—First latex thin crepe spot 19⅞ buyers, smoked ribbed sheets spot 19⅞ buyers, 20 sellers; February-March 19⅞ buyers, April-June 19¾ buyers, 19⅞ sellers.

WINNIPEG GRAINS

Wheat closed steady and unchanged. **Oats** steady, 1¼c. up to unchanged. May 35⅞, July 33¼, October 31⅝. **Rye** steady, unchanged. **Barley** steady, 1c. up. May 45⅞, July 43½. **Linseed** steady, unchanged, 1c. up to unchanged. May 182¼, July 152, October 150⅛.

CHICAGO MARKETS

Wheat opened steady, with prices generally unchanged, and closed irregular at ⅛c. up to ⅛c. down. Opening options—May 86⅞, July 82¼, September 82⅜. Closing options—May 87⅛-87¼, July 82¼, September 82⅜. **Maize** opened steady and unchanged to 1c. up, and closed very steady at 1c. to 1¼c. higher. Closing options—May 62⅜, July and September 62⅝. **Oats** closed steady, with quotations 1⅛c. up to 1⅛c. down. May 36¾, July 32¾, September 31⅛. **Rye** closed steady at generally 1¼c. advance. May 47⅞, July 48⅞, September 50⅛. **Lard** finished very steady, with futures unchanged to 5 points higher. Prime Western steam loose, spot, 5.77½. Closing options—January 5.87½, March 6.65, May 6.85, July 7.05. **Bacon**—Fat backs, 8.50; dry-salted bellies, spot, 11.62½. January 11.25. **Hogs** steady, with light kinds 20 points up and heavy descriptions 20 to 30 points higher. Light weight 8.00 to 8.20, heavy 7.75 to 8.10.

CARROTS ARE LIKE "CHOICE FRUIT"

AND GOOD FOR THE COMPLEXION

To encourage the best use of some home-produced foods, such as potatoes, carrots and oatmeal, the British Ministry of Food has prepared some sample dishes in which these vegetables are "almost indistinguishable from choice fruit."

A high official of the Ministry spoke about foods that are in short supply, and said that there is a surplus of potatoes, carrots and oatmeal. To avoid a large surplus of potatoes at the end of the year the Ministry aims at increasing consumption per head from half a pound daily to three-quarters of a pound. "Potatoes are one of the best foods grown." Carrots—The home crop is larger than ever. They have got protective value against winter ailments and night blindness, and are "good for the complexion."—(Press Association.)

ARCHDIOCESE OF DUBLIN

NEW VICARS-GENERAL

The Most Rev. Dr. McQuaid, Archbishop of Dublin, formally took Canonical possession of the See of Dublin yesterday, at a special meeting of the Metropolitan Chapter, held in the Pro-Cathedral, Marlborough street.

His Grace subsequently appointed as his Vicars-General the Most Rev. Dr. Wall, P.P., Bishop of Thasos; the Right Rev. Monsignor Walsh, M.A., D.Litt., P.P.; the Right Rev. Monsignor Cronin, D.D., M.A., P.P., and the Right Rev. Monsignor Boylan, D.D., M.A., D.Litt., P.P.

MENTAL HOSPITAL KEYS STOLEN

PATIENT ROBBED OF £45

DISCUSSION AT KILLARNEY COMMITTEE

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

KILLARNEY, Tuesday.

At Killarney Mental Hospital Committee meeting to-day, Mr. F. H. Crowley, T.D., moved, and Mr. E. J. Walsh seconded, that all future deputations consist of not more than three persons for fifteen minutes to discuss matters of which previous notice in writing had been given. Mr. P. J. O'Shea moved a direct negative, which was seconded by Mr. Fleming. "We had a deputation at the Board of Health meeting also," said Mr. O'Shea, "and, instead of the Guards being brought, the Secretary welcomed the deputation and thanked them. It is the ratepayers and the public who have to foot the bill, and they have a right to know how their money is being spent."

Mr. Crowley said that his motion was not aimed at any particular deputation, but simply to enable the Committee to do their business without interference. They had a letter from the Minister which stated that the public were not to be allowed to attend meetings in the mental hospital. The Press was present, and what more publicity could be given to the business?

Mr. O'Shea said that the public had a right to attend the meetings, provided they did not interfere. On a vote, Mr. Crowley's motion was carried by 8 votes to 3.

SUSPENDED ATTENDANTS

The resident medical superintendent, Dr. O'Sullivan, recommended that the case of two suspended attendants be heard in committee.

Mr. C. Healy, solicitor, who represented the two attendants, objected to this course, and said that they wanted the fullest possible publicity. They had a perfect answer to the charges made against them.

Dr. O'Sullivan—This is a matter concerning the internal discipline of the institution, and it should be discussed in committee.

Mr. Crowley said that if this matter were not discussed in committee it might make a precedent for the hearing of any complaints the doctor might make against the staff, such as an attendant striking a patient, which would not be very nice going into the Press.

The two Pressmen declined to leave, and on the motion of Mr. O'Shea, the Committee unanimously decided that the matter be discussed in the presence of the Press.

Dr. O'Sullivan then read a copy of a report he had made to the Local Government Department, in which he stated that, following a search of the room occupied by the two attendants, they found various hospital master keys and two copies of his own master key, which opened the locks of all doors in the male and female sides of the hospital, as well as a large assortment of cutting tools which would give access to any part of the hospital at any hour of the day or night. The two attendants denied all responsibility for those articles, and he had no option but to suspend both of them from duty.

MASTER KEYS MISSING

He had been missing his own master keys for twelve months, and, as he suspected they were in the possession of some member of the male staff, he issued a notice asking for their return, but without result. During the past year someone had been doing a tremendous lot of pilfering in the hospital, and £45 belonging to one patient was stolen from the safe. "I discarded the old letter-box when I found one morning that letters had been tampered with. The keys of the hospital safe are also missing. I am not suggesting those matters are connected with the two attendants. To do justice to these attendants and to everybody else, I suggest that the Committee ask for a sworn inquiry."

Mr. Healy said that on December 20 Civic Guards and detectives searched the hospital for illegal literature and ammunition, and searched the room occupied by the two attendants concerned. He was sure the doctor would admit that all locks in the institution were opened by one key—a pass key—and each attendant had a pass key. That meant that every attendant had access to this room, which, in addition, was occupied two nights a week by two different attendants for two months in the year and for the holiday period. The room, therefore, could not be described as a private room. There was nothing to justify the suspension of those two men, whom he asked to have reinstated immediately.

In answer to Mr. O'Shea, Dr. O'Sullivan said that he had not changed the locks after missing the keys.

REINSTATED

Mr. O'Shea—Did you report it to the committee?

Dr. O'Sullivan—I did not, because I did not know the details or how they were taken. I am reporting it to-day.

Mr. Fleming—It looks to me as if this room is nobody's darling.

Mr. D. Keating—I believe Dr. O'Sullivan is responsible for all of it. When he discovered the keys were gone he should have reported it to the committee and changed the locks.

After further discussion, the committee unanimously removed the suspension of the two attendants, whom they reinstated as from the date of suspension.

A motion by Mr. Lawlor, asking for a sworn inquiry, was defeated by 8 votes to 3, and the Chairman, Mr. S. Rae, refused to allow a motion by Mr. O'Shea calling for an inquiry into the administration of the hospital.

The committee adopted an estimate of £40,395 and a demand on the County Council of £46,745, a reduction of close on £4,000 on last year.

ALLEGED ASSAULT ON SOLICITOR

VETERINARY SURGEON CHARGED

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

CORK, Tuesday.

Eugene A. McCarthy, veterinary surgeon, of Skibbereen, appeared in the dock at Cork Circuit Court to-day, charged with having on November 12th maliciously wounded Jaspar T. Wolfe, solicitor, with intent to do him grievous bodily harm. Defendant pleaded not guilty, and also pleaded not guilty to two more counts of assault arising out of the same incident.

Mr. Neville, solicitor for defendant, applied for an adjournment, as his counsel was engaged in a murder trial at Clonmel.

Mr. F. V. Buckley, for the State, opposing an adjournment, said that ample notification had been given of the date of the hearing. This was a very serious assault on Mr. Wolfe, committed in a very brutal manner, and there were threats both before and after the offence. Further, it was necessary on the representation of the sureties to have the defendant arrested.

Judge O'Connor said that he had informations from two people who went bail for defendant, and one—a woman—described a state of affairs which gave the case a serious aspect.

Superintendent O'Hara said that he felt defendant should be kept in custody unless solvent sureties were forthcoming. The Guards had considerable difficulty in locating defendant after the sureties had made their informations.

In adjourning the hearing to Friday Judge O'Connor fixed bail at £100 and two sureties of £50 each, and remarked that if defendant did not attend to stand his trial he would be arrested and kept in Limerick Jail until the Criminal Sessions in March.

Mr. G. C. Lynn, R.M., heard 180 black-out cases in the Belfast Summons Court yesterday, when fines ranging from one shilling to thirty shillings were imposed.

FROM THE LEGAL DIARY

LAW NOTICES—Wednesday, January 15.

AN CHUIRT BHREITHIUNAIS UACHTARACH. (The Supreme Court.)

At 11 o'clock. For Judgment—The Irish Industrial Building Society v. O'Brien. For Hearing—In re W. Comp. Act, Mulvahy v. the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the County Borough of Cork; in re estate of Poer O'Shee, Bowen, applicant and cross notice.

CLARATHOIR NA gCOIMIRCITHE CUIRTE. (The Registrar of Wards of Court.)

Before the Registrar, at 11.30 o'clock. Ex Parte—Blake, minors; statement, Kierns and McGough; Jones, minors.

Before Mr. Magahan, at 11 o'clock—Vch. ac., Wm. Roche and Sons; ditto, W. Hayes and Son; ditto, F. Allen; ditto, Fry and Sons.

AN ARD-CHUIRT BHREITHIUNAIS. (The High Court.)

In Court 1, at 11 o'clock. For Judgment—Minister for Agriculture, complainant, Donegan, defendant. Cases Stated—Great Northern Railway Co., Ireland, applts. the Commissioner of Valuation, respdt.; Great Southern Railways Co., applts., the Commissioner of Valuation, respdt.

In Court 2, at 11.30 o'clock. For Judgment—McNaboe v. Cavan Board of Health. Motion (to be mentioned)—Aliey v. Blake. At 12 o'clock. Motion—J. Tully, decd., Toolan v. Costello.

MAISTIR NA hARD-CHUIRTE. (The Master of the High Court.)

At 11 o'clock. Motions of Course. Summonses—Coffey v. Tipperary Board of Health; Ryan v. O'Grady; Egan v. Harty; Nolan and Sons v. O'Farrell; L'Estange v. Molloy; O'Shea v. Murphy; McDonnell v. McDonogh; McNamara v. Attorney-General; O'Reilly v. Carroll; A. Thom and Co. v. Noble; Osborne, Flinn and Co. v. Gray; Dwyer and Co. v. Flood; Dutton, Massey and Co. v. Kelleher and Harrington; Nugent v. Heron; Lawless v. Lostly. Motions on Notice—Lalor v. Heiton and Co.; Buchanan v. Taylor; Bourke v. O'Doherty; Savoy Cocoa Co. v. Connolly; Moon v. North Cork Board of Health; Cronin v. Cronin. Bankruptcy, at 12 o'clock—Kirwan, ych. ac., Thompson and Edwards; Blackledge, pr. dts. and vch., McKeever and Son; Matthews, vch. ac., Hayes and Sons; Ball, refce., Collins and Son; arrangt. settle condns., E. G. L. Ward; arrangt. sc. comp., Jordan and Co.

OIFIG AN MHAISTIR-MHEIRLEABHAIREACHTA. (The Taxing Master's Office.)

Master O'Hanlon, at 11 o'clock—Burke's estate, Brown and McCann; Morrison's estate, W. Gulfs, Lane and Co.; Hemphill's estate, P. W. Bass and Co.; Pigott's estate, J. L. Keane and Son; Fogarty's estate, J. O'Brien and Co.; trustees Purcell estate, T. W. Delaney and Co.; O'Donnell's estate, M. O'Sullivan and Co.; Riddell's estate, Dobbyn and McCoy; Harty's estate, J. H. Callan and Son; Hartopp's estate, A. Mitchell and Son; Cooke's estate, A. Mitchell and Son.

Master Kennedy, at 11 o'clock. Ex Parte Taxations—Fogarty decd., Crowley, Bolger and Cusack; Brennan v. Flood, Horan and Devine; same v. same, J. J. Macken; Traynor to Vance and Co., Vance and Co.

OIFIG AN SCRUDORA. (The Examiner's Office.)

Before Mr. Adderley (Room 104), at 11 o'clock—Munster and Leinster Bank, Ltd., v. Minor; McMullen v. Gourley; A. Carroll decd., Carroll v. Carroll, J. Lawley decd., Flynn v. Lawley; Kelly v. Sheridan (J. J. Macken); same v. same (C. J. Carroll and Co.); P. Hart decd., White v. Sarsfield.

Before Mr. Greville (Room 103), at 11 o'clock—J. Martin decd., Frazer v. Martin; J. Foley decd., Foley v. Foley; Quillinan v. Morrissey; S. A. Le B. Bagge decd., Bagge v. Deane-Freeman; J. A. Kiernan decd., Kiernan v. Kiernan.

Before Mr. Murtagh (Room 108), at 11 o'clock—Jennette v. Haughey; G. Tench decd., Tench v. Ball.

COIMISIUN TALMHAN NA nEIREANN. (Irish Land Commission.)

At Examiners' Chambers, at 93 Merrion square, before Mr. Sullivan, at 11 o'clock—Hewitt, vouch.

Before Mr. Grove-White, at 11 o'clock—Coppe estate (Mulrooney Intervening Interests), vouch. At 12 o'clock—Resumed holding, Jeremiah Mulrooney, vouch.

Before Mr. Jackson, at 11 o'clock—John Burke, vouch. At 3 o'clock—Reps. Mi. Browne, discharge rulings and settle schedule.

Before Mr. Spain at 11 o'clock—Atkinson, vouch. At 89 Merrion square, before Mr. O'Byrne, at 3.30 o'clock—Gillman-Hawks, discharge rulings and vouch.

At 24 Upper Merrion street, before Mr. P. Byrne, at 3 o'clock—Ruxton, discharge rulings and settle schedule.

CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT. Green Street Courthouse, Dublin.

This day at 11 o'clock a.m. Jurors Nos. 151 to 262 must attend. Absent jurors may be fined. Jurors Nos. 263 to 375 need not attend until Monday next, 20th inst.

AN CHUIRT BHREITHEAMHNAIS CHUARDA. (Circuit Court of Justice.)

Before Judge Davitt, at the Law Courts, Chancery place, at 11 o'clock. Motion—Catherine Daly, decd. Petition—Nolan, minors. Equity Minor Applications—Christina Carroll, a minor; Christina Roche, a minor; Esther Eileen Dunne, a minor; William Clarke, a minor; Josephine Passmore, a minor; Julia Clarke, a minor; Philip Wm. Healy, a minor; Elizabeth McManus, a minor; Mary Agnes Fitzpatrick, a minor; George C. O'Callaghan, a minor; Byrne, minors; Sheila P. Martin, a minor; John McNerney, a minor; Mary A. Geraghty, a minor; Lawrence Cox, a minor; Susan Graham, a minor. Equity Suits—O'Neill v. Ryan; MacSweeney v. O'Neill; Bannon v. O'Farrell; Shaunon v. Certus Chemical Industries, Ltd.

Before Judge Shannon, at the Law Courts, Chancery place, at 11 o'clock. Applications for Summary Judgment—Mack and others v. Scott; Byrne v. McGrath; Workingman's Benefit Building Society v. O Braonain; Wharton and others v. Plummer; Connor v. McCulla. Ejectment—Irish Sailors' and Soldiers' Land Trust v. Farrelly and another (to be mentioned). Civil Actions—Forsythe v. Ormond Printing Co., Ltd.; O'Neill v. Moran, Russell v. Taylor.

AN CLARATHOIR CONTAE. (The County Registrar.)

At 12.30 o'clock. Taxation of Costs—Haslam v. Murphy. Equity—Moloney and another v. Meany.

CUIRT DUITHCHE NA CATHRACH. (Metropolitan District Court.)

At Morgan place, at 10.30 o'clock—Defended civil processes adjourned from previous sessions; defended ejectment processes adjourned from previous sessions.

CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT

GIRL'S PLEA IN MURDER CHARGE

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE MARTIN MAGUIRE.)

Eithne Murray (19), unmarried, Ballydaly, Millstreet, Co. Cork, was charged yesterday with the murder of her seven months' old child, John Francis Murray, at Gurtavahy Lake, Millstreet, on 18th September, 1940.

Mr. J. A. McCarthy, K.C., and Tadhg Mac-Firbhisigh (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor) prosecuted, and Mr. V. Rice, K.C., and Mr. D. O'Donovan (instructed by Mr. T. Linehan, T.D.) appeared for the defence.

Murray pleaded not guilty to murder, but guilty to manslaughter, and this plea was accepted by the State. Mr. Justice Maguire said that he had read the depositions, and was satisfied that the Attorney-General had taken the proper course in the matter.

Mr. Rice said that Murray was, from the medical point of view, fit to plead, but His Lordship would see on examination of the circumstances that her act was the act of an unbalanced person.

Sergeant Thomas Dowling said that prior to the present case, Murray had never come under the unfavourable notice of the police. When he arrested her she made an open statement, and brought him to the place where she pointed out the body. She was a simple girl.

Murray was put back.

ATTENDANCE OF JURORS

Mr. Justice Maguire said that the attendance of the jurors was not as satisfactory that day as it might be. Jurors 263 to 275 would be excused this week, but would be required to attend next week. That course would be pursued on alternative weeks.

The panel was called on fines of £3.

DUBLIN CIRCUIT COURT

SALE OF A MOTOR CAR

(BEFORE JUDGE DAVITT.)

Messrs. P. J. Tracy, Ltd., Motor Salesmen, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, were awarded £100 and costs against John O'Keeffe, Turf Accountant, "Waverley," Dun Laoghaire, in a claim for services rendered in respect of the sale of a motor car and certain garage transactions.

Mr. J. J. Kelly (instructed by Mr. O'Connell Roopey) represented the plaintiffs; Mr. F. Sherry (instructed by Mr. M. Noyk) for the defendants.

DAMAGES AGAINST TAXI-OWNER

(BEFORE JUDGE SHANNON.)

A decree for £89 6s. 4d. was awarded to Frederick John Morton, "Malbay," Merrion road, Dublin, je

PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.

GAIETY THEATRE.
8 — ONCE NIGHTLY — 8
MATINEES:
To-day and Saturday at 2.30.
JIMMY O'DEA in
"BABES IN THE WOOD,"
By HARRY O'DONOVAN.
REDUCED PRICES FOR CHILDREN AT MATINEES.
Two Booking Offices Now Open—
Daily, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

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5.40 ..... TWICE NIGHTLY 9.0
"40 THIEVES,"
With FRANK O'DONOVAN,
DICK FORBES JIMMY HARVEY.
MATINEE SATURDAY, AT 2.30.

ABBEY THEATRE AT 8.15.
Second Week of
"TRIAL AT GREEN STREET COURTHOUSE."
By ROGER McHUGH.
Box Office, 10.30 to 6 p.m. ..... 'Phone 44505.

GATE EDWARDS—MacLIAMMOIR.
NIGHTLY, at 8.
LAST WEEK OF SEASON!
"SNAPDRAGON."
Box Office—10.30—7. 'Phone—44045.

THE DUBLIN REPERTORY COMPANY.
PEACOCK THEATRE.
"CANDIDA,"
By BERNARD SHAW.
NIGHTLY, at 8.15. Prices, 1/6 and 2/-.

METROPOLE TO-DAY, AT 2.30, 4.40, 7.0, 9.20.
ROSALIND RUSSELL,
BRIAN AHERNE,
VIRGINIA BRUCE, in
"HIRED WIFE."

McBIRNEY'S
ANNUAL STAFF DANCE,
AT
METROPOLE BALLROOM,
ON FRIDAY NIGHT, 24th JANUARY, 1941.
DANCING 9-2. Novelties, etc. Evening Dress.
Every Dance a Spot Dance.
TICKETS (including Running Buffet and tax), 7/6.

GRAFTON Continuous from 2 to 11.
To-day at 2.4.30, 7.5, 9.35.
GORDON HARKER—ELIZABETH ALLAN, in
"SALOON BAR."
Also GEORGE FORMBY in "KEEP FIT."

CORINTHIAN.
JANE WITHERS and GENE AUTRY, in
"SHOOTING HIGH." At 2.35, 5.2, 7.29, 9.56
Also BILL BOYD, in "THE SHOWDOWN."
At 3.49, 6.16, 8.43.

THEATRE DE LUXE
Dublin's Super Cinema...3.30-11.0...Camden Street.
Walter Brennan, Fay Bainter, Brenda Joyce, John Payne, "Maryland," in Glorious Technicolour.
AT 4.28, 6.59, 9.29.

QUEEN'S. PANTO. at 3 o'clock, 5.45, 8.45.
"RED RIDING HOOD."
1/6, 1/4, 1/-, 8d. Box Seats 3/-. Children's Mat. Daily, 9d., 6d., 4d. Also NOVEL FILM at 2.30, 5.15, 8.15.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL.
A BRIDGE TOURNAMENT
(Barristers' Conference)
THE GRESHAM HOTEL,
MONDAY NEXT, 20th JANUARY, 8 p.m. Sharp.
TICKETS (Including Supper), 5/-.
Please Bring Cards and Markers.
Tournament ends promptly, enabling patrons to avail of public transport to all parts, and Evening Dress is Optional.

THEATRE ROYAL.
ROGER PRYOR LUCILLE FAIRBANKS, in "FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE." At 1.45, 4.55, 8.5.
The Greatest Show on Earth—HECKENBERG'S FAMOUS CIRCUS. Funnier than a Pantomime. . . More Spectacle than a Revue. At 2.30, 5.40, 8.50.
SUNDAY — Book Now for 8.30 Sunday Show! Remember Tyrone Power in "Jesse James." Now, in the same great Tradition, comes
"THE RETURN OF FRANK JAMES,"
IN TECHNICOLOUR, with
HENRY FONDA. GENE TIERNEY. JACKIE COOPER.

REGAL CINEMA. At 2.45, 4.59, 7.15, 9.30.
RETAINED SECOND WEEK.
DEANNA DURBIN
IN
"SPRING PARADE."

SAVOY AT 2 o'c., 4.26, 6.52, 9.18.
A SURGING DRAMA OF COURAGEOUS LOVE!
Robert TAYLOR, Vivien LEIGH, in "WATERLOO BRIDGE,"
With VIRGINIA FIELD, C. AUBREY SMITH.
ALBAN CHAMBERS AT THE ORGAN.

CAPITOL TO-DAY, at 2.20, 4.39, 6.58, 9.17.
RETAINED
RONALD COLMAN, GINGER ROGERS, in "LUCKY PARTNERS."
FRIDAY NEXT:
JOAN CRAWFORD and FREDERIC MARCH, in the Screen's Most Brilliant Emotional Drama,
"THE GAY MRS. TREXEL."

ASTOR TO-DAY, at 2.43, 5 o'clock, 7.17, 9.34.
"THE LIFE OF VERGIE WINTERS."
FRIDAY—William Powell, Luise Rainer, in "THE EMPEROR'S CANDLESTICKS."

CARLTON SHOWING AT 2.40, 4.55, 7.10, 9.25.
LAST 2 DAYS—AKIM TAMIROFF, "THE WAY OF ALL FLESH."
Friday Next—DYNAMITE! THE DEAD END KIDS and LITTLE TOUGH GUYS in "YOU'RE NOT SO TOUGH."
Enter the GLORIA JEAN CONTEST Now for Girl Vocalists, aged 12—20.

ADELPHI SHOWING AT 2.10, 4.26, 6.42, 8.58.
"VIRGINIA CITY,"
With
ERROL FLYNN, MIRIAM HOPKINS, HUMPHREY BOGART, RANDOLPH SCOTT.
The Mightiest Drama in the History of a Nation Lives Again!

THE GREEN TO-DAY, 2.30, 4.50, 7.10, 9.25.
PAUL MUNI,
"THE LIFE OF LOUIS PASTEUR."
RESTAURANT OPEN 11 A.M. TO MIDNIGHT.

ASTORIA
DUN LAOGHAIRE ..... 3—10.30.
"SAPS AT SEA," with LAUREL and HARDY. Also "LITTLE TOUGH GUYS IN SOCIETY," With DEAD END KIDS.
MONDAY NEXT—" REBECCA."
TO-MORROW (THURSDAY): "SUED FOR LIBEL," with KENT TAYLOR. Also "MISSING GUESTS."
MONDAY NEXT—" REBECCA."

REGENT CINEMA, BLACKROCK.
EDDIE CANTOR in
"FORTY LITTLE MOTHERS."
To-morrow (Thursday):
"ONLY ANGELS HAVE WINGS."

GOVERNMENT NOTICES

COIMISIUN NA STAT-SHEIRBHISE.
PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT.
OPEN COMPETITIVE EXAMINATIONS TO BE HELD IN 1941.

The Civil Service Commissioners announce that, so far as can be foreseen at present, Open Competitive Examinations will be held during the year 1941 for the following classes:—

JUNIOR EXECUTIVE OFFICERS* (Male and Female)—Examination in July, 1941. AGE LIMITS:—18-20 on 1st August, 1941. Standard of Examination:—Leaving Certificate, Secondary Schools' Programme, 1940-1941. Mathematics will be of Pass Standard only.

CLERICAL OFFICERS,* etc. (Male and Female)—Examination in July, 1941. AGE LIMITS:—16½-18½, on 1st August, 1941. Standard of Examination:—Intermediate Certificate, Secondary Schools' Programme, 1940-1941.

WRITING ASSISTANTS* (Female)—Examination in May, 1941. AGE LIMITS:—16½-18½ on 1st April, 1941. Standard of Examination:—Standard VII., Primary Schools.

There will be no examination for Writing Assistants in the Autumn.

SHORTHAND TYPISTS* (Female)—The literary part of the examination will be held in September, 1941. Those who qualify therein will be tested in typewriting and shorthand during November, 1941. AGE LIMITS:—18-25 on 1st November, 1941.

TYPISTS* (Female)—The literary part of the examination will be held in September, 1941. Those who qualify therein will be tested in typewriting during November, 1941. AGE LIMITS:—18-25 on 1st November, 1941.

There will be no examination for Typists in the Spring.

LEARNERS (Male and Female) in the Department of Posts and Telegraphs. Examination in December, 1941. AGE LIMITS:—15-17 on 1st October, 1941. Standard of Examination:—Standard VII., Primary Schools.

BOY MESSENGERS (Department of Posts and Telegraphs)—Examination in June, 1941.—Standard of Examination:—Standard VI., Primary Schools. AGE LIMITS:—14-16 on 1st June, 1941.

There will be no examination for Boy Messengers in December.

QUALIFYING EXAMINATION FOR ARMY CADETSHIPS—A qualifying examination for Cadetships in the Forces will be held in May, 1941. Standard:—Leaving Certificate (Pass), Secondary Schools' Programme, 1940-1941. AGE LIMITS:—For Volunteers, 18-22; for other candidates, 17-20 on 1st August, 1941, with an extension of one year for both classes in certain cases.

NOTE—(1)—In all the above competitions, Written Irish and Oral Irish are essential subjects of examination. Failure in either Written or Oral Irish means failure in the examination.
(2) In all competitions importance will be attached to Handwriting and Spelling.
(3) FURTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS WILL BE MADE WHEN THE REGULATIONS AND APPLICATION FORMS FOR EACH EXAMINATION ARE AVAILABLE. DUE NOTICE WILL BE GIVEN IF IT SHOULD NOT BE FOUND POSSIBLE TO HOLD ANY PARTICULAR EXAMINATION.

*Regulations and Conditions of Service for competitions so marked will be in Irish only.

COMPETITIONS TO BE HELD IN 1941 FOR PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL POSTS.

In these competitions candidates who possess a competent knowledge of Irish, and who are qualified and suitable for the posts, will, in accordance with the practice of previous years, be given an absolute preference by the Civil Service Commissioners in the making of recommendations for appointment. If no qualified and suitable candidates possessing a competent knowledge of Irish are available, any qualified and suitable candidates who possess a good knowledge of Irish will be given credit by the award of extra marks. The Regulations governing each competition should be consulted for full particulars.

Coimisiun na Stát-Sheirbhise, 45 Upper O'Connell street, Dublin, C.9., Mi Eanair, 1941.
15/B.1475. W.H.Co.

COIMISINEIRI NA nOIBREACHA POIBLIDHE.
(Commissioners of Public Works.)

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Sealed Tenders addressed to the Secretary will be received up to, but not later than, 12 o'clock noon on the 28th January, 1941, for the renewal of Lantern Lights at the College of Science, Dublin, in accordance with drawings, specification and conditions of contract exhibited at this office.

Applications for a copy of the drawings and specification should be addressed to this office with a deposit of £1, which will be refunded on the return of those documents.

The Commissioners will not be bound to accept the lowest or any Tender.

GEO. P. TAGAN, Runaidhe (Secretary).
Oifig na nOibreacha Poiblidhe
(Office of Public Works),
Baile Atha Cliath (Dublin), 13th January, 1941.
15/B. 1462. W.H.Co.

AN ROINN TALMHAIDHEACHTA
(Department of Agriculture).
PEDIGREE SEED OATS.

The Department of Agriculture has available a quantity of Pedigree Seed Oats of the varieties "Victory II.," "Ardri," and "Glasnevin Success III.," which it is proposed to dispose of to seed merchants who are prepared to have the seed grown on contract during the coming season, and who also undertake to purchase the produce for seed purposes. Preference will be given to applications for not less than 20 barrels of seed and before allocating supplies the Department will require to be satisfied that the firm concerned has proper facilities for cleaning seed oats and for the preparation of a proper sample of seed. Full particulars as regards price and conditions of disposal can be obtained from the Secretary, Department of Agriculture (Section 23 (5)) Dublin. Applications for a supply of seed must be made not later than January 23rd.

D. TWOMEY, Secretary.
14th January, 1941.
15/B. 1477. W.H.Co.

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AN ROINN OIDEACAIS.
OIDEACAS NAISIUNTA.

Scrúdúcáin do Daoine gur mian leo Deit in a Múinteóirí i Scoileannaidh Náisiúnta.

Tá an Roinn Oideacais tá fógairt go mbéid Scrúdúcáin mar leanas ann i 1941, chun maic leis na Scrúdúcáin le h-agairt duit isteach i gColáiste Moibí, le h-agairt Cáiltheastóca mar Oide Neamh-Oifige, mar, a dí ann anuiarb.

1. SCRÚDÚCÁIN LE H-AGAIRT DUIL ISTEACH MS NA COLÁISTI ULLMHÚCÁIN (CAILINI CAILICEACA):
1 Seachtain na Cásca, 1941. Clár an Seachtain Ranga i Scoileannaidh Náisiúnta.
TEORAINNTA AOISE AR AN CEAD LÁ DE LUÁNASA, 1941: 18-15½ bliadain, le h-uar-teora 16½ bliadain do tarraicint ó'n bFíon-Ardteastacc.
2. SCRÚDÚCÁIN COMÓRTAIS POIBLIDHE LE H-AGAIRT DUL ISTEACH MS NA COLÁISTI ULLMHÚCÁIN:
Lion beag áiteacha do Cailini Caiticeaca, Déid péin-chaiteca ann sá Cásc, 1941, agus cnuaiteca i Scrúdúcáin na h-Aru. Ceiteimneacha i mi Meitheamh, 1941.
TEORAINNTA AOISE AR AN CEAD LÁ DE LUÁNASA, 1941: 17-21 bliadain.
Leigfear roinnt Céimithe tairgthe (Mna amain) sá'n Scrúdúcáin le h-agairt duit isteach mr na Coláistí Oileanna Caiticeaca (Cásc agus Meitheamh, 1941). Caithfid Céimithe san dul ór cionn 28 mbliadan an an Céad Lá de Luánasa, 1941.

Deid cuile fairnéire sá na Scrúdúcáin seo le fagáil in imlicin do Cuid na Roinne a cuirfear amach go luat cuig Daimeóirí agus Príomh-Oidi Scoil Náisiúnta, agus cuig na Meadon-Scoileanna.

SEOSAM Ó NEILL, Runaidhe.
Oifig an Oideacair Náisiúnta,
Sráid Maoilbhríde, Baile Áta Cliat.
Canair, 1941.
15/B.1462 W.H.Co.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

PUBLIC NOTICE.
IN THE COURT OF THE RAILWAY TRIBUNAL.
THE RAILWAYS ACT, 1924.
PROPOSED INCREASES BY THE GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY COMPANY (IRELAND) IN THEIR RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE CARRIAGE OF MERCHANDISE BY MERCHANDISE AND BY PASSENGER TRAIN.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Court of the Railway Tribunal will sit at the Four Courts, Dublin, at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, the 11th day of February, 1941, to consider an application by the Great Northern Railway Company (Ireland) under Section 31 of the Railways Act, 1924, for increases in the said Company's rates and charges in force on the 23rd July, 1924, for the carriage of Merchandise by Merchandise and by Passenger Train on those portions of their undertaking situate in Eire.

The Application and Schedules thereto, setting forth particulars of the proposed increases (see Note below), lodged with the Tribunal by the said Company, will be open for public inspection up to the 1st day of February, 1941, at the office of the Registrar of the Railway Tribunal, La Touche Bank Buildings, Castle Street, Dublin, and at the Offices of the Great Northern Railway Company (Ireland), Amiens Street Station, Dublin, during office hours, and copies thereof, price 6d. each, may be obtained on prepayment from the General Manager, Great Northern Railway Company (Ireland), Amiens Street Station, Dublin.

NOTE—The proposed increases are in the several Schedules to the Application called "Modified Rates" save where otherwise stated.

Any body or person desiring to make any objection or submission relative to the proposed increases, or any one or more of them, must file a notice of their or his objection or submission with the Registrar of the Railway Tribunal on or before the 4th day of February, 1941. Each Notice, which should be accompanied by three additional copies, must state concisely the ground or grounds of such objection or submission, and such notice must be impressed with a Revenue Fee Stamp for 2s 6d., or if sent by post must be accompanied by a Postal Order for 2s. 6d., payable to the Registrar of the Railway Tribunal.

Dated this 14th day of January, 1941.
J. J. BOYLAN, Registrar.
La Touche Bank Buildings,
Castle Street, Dublin.

THE BRITISH AND IRISH STEAM PACKET CO., LTD.,
GIVE NOTICE THAT THE OFFICE AT
16 WESTMORELAND STREET
WILL BE CLOSTD
FROM
SATURDAY, 18th JANUARY,
TILL FURTHER NOTICE.
All communications to be addressed to
NORTH WALL HOUSE,
12 NORTH WALL,
DUBLIN.

IRISH CHURCH MISSIONS,
TOWNSEND STREET.
BIRTHDAY MEETINGS,
1849—1941.
TO-MORROW (THURSDAY), 16th JANUARY
4 p.m. Chairman—Rev. N. D. Emerson.
Speakers—Mr. T. Murray,
Rev. G. F. G. Mana.
8 p.m. Chairman—Rev. R. Northridge.
Speakers—Rev. H. Lindsay,
Rev. T. R. Horan,
Rev. R. E. Weir.
All Welcome—Come and bring your friends. Collections will be in aid of the Funds of the Mission.

COLLEGE OF ST. COLUMBA.
TERM BEGINS FRIDAY NEXT, 17th JANUARY, 1941.

OWING to the petrol shortage, arrangements have been made for buses to call at the following places and times to convey boys to the College:—

Amiens Street Station	5.30 p.m.
Kingsbridge Station	7.40 p.m.
Westland Row Station	7.45 p.m.

Luggage left at these Stations will be collected and delivered at the College on Saturday. Boys from the Dublin District (not arriving by car) are asked to use the Tibradden bus, which leaves Burgh Quay at 6.25 p.m. Their luggage should be deposited at any of the above-mentioned stations

THE MAGDALEN CHURCH, LOWER LEESON STREET.
A SERVICE OF HEALING
Will be held This (Wednesday) Afternoon at 3 o'clock

The Irish Times

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 1941.

"The New Order"

An interesting statement—interesting chiefly by virtue of its obscurity—has been issued from Tokyo. It reaffirms the agreement that was reached at the end of last November between Japan and Mr. Wang Ching-wei's so-called Government in China. This agreement, which neither merited nor obtained any wide publicity, stipulated that there should be "co-operation on a reciprocal basis" between the two Governments—one true, and the other alleged—for common defence against Communism and for economic assistance in the "new order" of Eastern Asia. It provided for the recognition of Japan's conquest of Manchukuo by the Japanese, and gave the Japanese the right to station troops in certain parts of China and Inner Mongolia, as well as trading privileges in the Yangtse valley and in North China. On the other hand, Japan made some purely nominal concessions. She promised to surrender all her extra-territorial rights in China—on the strict understanding that the territory under Mr. Wang Ching-wei's control would be "opened" to Japanese subjects—and to withdraw her troops from China within two years after the declaration of "general peace." It was, in fact, an agreement between a sovereign and a subordinate Government—so unreal that nobody paid the slightest attention to it. Mr. Wang Ching-wei's Government, to use a popular expression, cuts no ice in China. It has attracted very few of the notables; it has not been recognised even by Japan's partners in the Axis, Germany and Italy; it is a subject for mockery among the Chinese people at large. The Japanese Government must be fully conscious that its puppet is without honour, or, for that matter, without power, save such as is conferred by the presence of its own legions; but in the hope, presumably, that Nanking may obtain some prestige in the future, it persists in its support of Mr. Wang Ching-wei. Tokyo does not desire, however, that any mistake shall be made concerning her own position in the curious partnership. Yesterday's statement is a polite warning to Mr. Wang Ching-wei and his friends that they must not regard themselves as the representatives of a sovereign State in federated union with Japan. Such an idea "is calculated to render Japan's sovereignty obscure"; and Japan is the master—let there be no mistake about it! The November agreement, which put all power into the conqueror's hands, is China's charter under the "new order."

Not less sinister is another section of yesterday's statement, in which it is announced that

> "all ideology and movements in Japan in connection with the construction of the new order in Greater East Asia will be guided by the National Service Association. This Association, designed to replace the trade unions, aims at co-operation and harmony between labour and capital."

These sentences can mean anything or nothing; but the odds are that they mark another stage in Japan's path towards full totalitarianism. We cannot speak—indeed, no European can speak—with real knowledge about Japan's internal affairs; she is with the solitary exception of Russia, the best-censored of all countries. Yet it is clear that for some time past her Parliament has been the scene of a life-and-death struggle between democracy and dictatorship. The generals who still control her destinies made a terrible mistake when they invaded China. They never anticipated that Chiang Kai-shek would be able to resist for a year—far less, that he would hold out for three years, and even then show no signs of imminent defeat. In order to prosecute the war, they have inflicted severe hardships on their own people, who, not unnaturally, have begun to grumble. This grumbling must be stopped, and there are only two means to stop it. Either the generals can distract the people's attention by some real "sensation"—by entrance, for example, into the European war—or they can stop the people's mouth by force. It looks as if they are undecided which method to prefer, and are experimenting vaguely with both. Their attitude towards Europe at the moment is one of "non-belligerency"—as Italy's attitude was until last June: that is to say, they are not taking part in the war, but have made no secret of their leanings towards the Axis, and are threatening perpetually to participate. At the same time, they are doing their best to stifle the democratic impulses which every now and then make themselves manifest in the Parliament and in the streets. Months ago they introduced a Constitution which, theoretically, will give their Government autocratic powers—a Constitution that will allow no popular liberty to remain—and yesterday's announcement of the supremacy of that mysterious body, the National Service Association, seems to implement some, at least, of the generals' desires. It remains to be seen whether the Japanese people will be deceived. Left to themselves, they do not want war—if only because they have suffered enough already. Will they consent to a state of affairs in which they no longer will decide whether or not their wishes are to be consulted?

Albania and Libya

The fall of Klissura to the Greeks has dealt a fresh blow to the Italians in Albania. This little town is one of the key-points of the Italian defence system. With Tepelini it guards the approach not only to Berat, but also to Valona; and, now that it has been captured, the position of the Italian army in Southern Albania may become critical. It is difficult to over-estimate the achievements of the Greek forces during recent weeks. Weather conditions in Albania have been appalling. There has been heavy snow in the mountains, and even the most hardened troops have been suffering intensely from the cold. In the circumstances, it was expected that the Greek advance would be halted for some time; but it seems that General Papagos's men are in such high heart that nothing can stop them. Tepelini still is holding out. The Italians are fighting with desperate courage in the Albanian hills, and it is reported that they have been reinforced by a new division, which, presumably, has arrived from Durazzo. Quite possibly, therefore, the military situation in Albania may be stabilised for the next couple of weeks, although, in view of the remarkable successes that have been gained by the Greeks, nothing can be predicted with any degree of certainty. Evidently, recent events in Albania have been causing searchings of heart in Rome. General Soddu, who has been Commander-in-Chief in Albania since November 11th, having been appointed not long after the fall of Koritza, has been relieved of his post "for reasons of health." He has been replaced by General Ugo Cavallero, Chief of the Italian General Staff. General Cavallero will be the third Generalissimo in Albania; whether in that graveyard of military reputations he will have any better luck than his two predecessors remains to be seen.

In the meanwhile, Marshal Graziani's forces in North Africa are continuing their retreat. Not only has Tobruk been invested by General Wavell's Army of the Nile; a substantial force of Italians has been isolated in an oasis some 150 miles to the south. As matters stand at the moment, nothing short of a miracle can save the Italians in Tobruk. The history of Bardia is being repeated. In point of fact, the defence of Tobruk is more difficult than that of Bardia; for there is a smaller garrison, and it has a substantially larger area to defend. According to British reports from Cairo, the Italian defenders at Tobruk seem to have been stunned completely by General Wavell's successes at Bardia. "British reconnaissance aircraft," it is stated, "have not noted any signs of movement or manœuvre on the roads and tracks westward from Tobruk." The Italian garrison, apparently, finds itself in a position identical with that of the garrison at Bardia. Surrounded completely by the British forces, it knows that it cannot be reinforced. It is too soon yet to estimate the effects of the British successes on Italy's position in Libya. Comments in German newspapers suggest that the "Axis" Powers must be prepared for the complete loss of Cyrenaica, on the development of which the Italian Government has spent huge sums of money during recent years. Marshal Graziani must have lost almost one-third of his forces since the British Army of the Nile started its offensive against Sidi Barrani. He has been unable to maintain his supplies of men and munitions from Italy, and Italian prestige throughout the Middle East has suffered severely. Even in Abyssinia there is talk of revolt. Haile Selassie has reappeared in Khartoum, and is said to be awaiting a favourable opportunity to go back to his forfeited Empire. On the Sudan frontier, and on the borders of Kenya, British patrols are reported to be unsually active. Everywhere the Italians appear to be in a bad way, and their position in Africa will be difficult to retrieve. In the Mediterranean the German *Luftwaffe* has come to their assistance; but the Italians are a proud people, who would resent most bitterly the suggestion that they might be saved from defeat by foreign interference.

Falling Leaves

No longer content with attempting to improve upon man's handiwork, the man of science now has turned his attention to nature. The average man very frequently grumbles about the seasons and the uncharitable behaviour of the weather, but in his more serious moments he never would go so far as to suggest that there should be any attempt to change them. The man of science, however, will stop at nothing. There are few limits to his powers and none to his ambitions. Two Swedish experts are reported recently to have discovered a process by which it is possible to prevent leaves from falling from trees in the autumn. It is claimed in Stockholm that they have isolated a substance which will arrest the particular activity which causes the leaves to drop off at the approach of winter. Many people will, no doubt, be pleased to hear of this discovery. To have a barren wind-swept tree in the front garden, and the pavement outside one's house covered with decomposed leaves, would make one wish that all trees were evergreens; but evergreens, with the exception of pine trees and fir trees, are rather uninteresting in appearance. At first sight the experts, indeed, would seem to have accomplished something desirable, but a further investigation into the matter suggests that they might have been wiser to leave nature to its own course. Gardeners, while annoyed that their trim paths should be cluttered up with decayed vegetation, realise that the nourishment which the earth obtains from leaf-mould more than repays them for any annoyance caused when the dead leaves fall in the wrong places. Apart entirely from a utilitarian point of view, there is much to be said in favour of falling leaves. Spring and autumn are probably the two most popular seasons of the year; if all trees were evergreens, neither of these seasons virtually would exist, certainly not in their present form. If, on the other hand, the leaves merely rotted on the trees, then one would miss the swirling clouds of brown and gold leaves always associated with autumn. The wild west wind would still swirl; but, if there were no leaves flying about with it, one would hardly be aware of its movement. One feels, too, that contrast is an essential part of the plan of the seasons; spring seems to be more colourful and bright in comparison with the drab winter which precedes it than otherwise it would seem. If, as a result of the Swedish *savants'* discovery, there was no intermediate stage, but merely a "dismal merging" of seasons, it is probable that spring would not seem so vigorous or pleasant. On the whole, nature is tolerably efficient; it is only man's work that shows itself at times to be inferior. The scientists should devote their sole energies to rectifying mistakes made by their less intelligent fellow-men.

COURT AND PERSONAL

The King, at Buckingham Palace yesterday, received two Chiefs of the British fighting Services and the Foreign Secretary.

General Sir John Dill, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, was received in audience during the morning, and afterwards the King received Air Chief Marshal Sir Charles Portal, Chief of the Air Staff. Mr. Anthony Eden, Foreign Secretary, was another visitor.

The Duke of Windsor flew across from Cat Cay, Bahamas, to Miami last week, where he watched the mid-winter air show.

The Crown Prince and Crown Princess of Norway spent last week-end in Ottawa, as guests of the Earl of Athlone, Governor-General of Canada and Princess Alice. They left for Toronto on Monday.

Lord and Lady Vernon and Sir Bertram Hardy were among the guests who attended the wedding at St. Paul's, Scropton, last week, of Major John Ernest Clowes, Derbyshire Yeomanry, and Miss June Darby Phillips.

Viscount Boyne celebrated his seventy-seventh birthday last week.

A Memorial Service for the Chief Scout, Lord Baden Powell, will be held on Sunday next at Holy Trinity Church, Kingsway, London.

Lord Lloyd is confined to his bed with a severe chill and has cancelled his engagements for this week.

The Hon. Mildred Noreen Stonor, daughter of Lord and Lady Camoys, was married in New York, last week, to Mr. John R. Drexel. The Hon. Enid Paget was a bridesmaid.

His Excellency the Governor-General of Australia (Lord Gowrie) presented the Melbourne Cup to Mr. J. A. Scully at Flemington.

Miss Mary O'Conor's party at the Red Cross dance last night included Lady Nixon, Miss Fearga O'Conor and Mr. William Teeling.

The marriage arranged between Maxwell H., only son of Henry C. Falkner and the late Mrs. Falkner, of St. Kilda, Sandycove, and Brenda, second daughter of Thomas E. Booth and the late Mrs. Booth, of Mount Salus, Dalkey, will take place quietly at Dalkey Parish Church on Tuesday, 18th February, at 11 o'clock.

The marriage arranged between J. J. Walshe, B.A., Solicitor, Kiltimagh, Co. Mayo, and Emily C. Gilligan, B.A., B.Comm., H.Dip., formerly of Co. Sligo, and now of Drogheda, Co. Louth, will, D.V., take place quietly next month.

The marriage arranged between Terence de Vere White and Elizabeth Mary O'Farrell will take place quietly on February 1st at Holywood, Co. Down.

At Switzers . . . . an exceptional Sale Offer of Ladies' best quality Hand-Made Woollen Gloves is being featured this week. Available in a wide range of fancy colours and previously priced at 10s. 11d. and 12s. 11d. per pair, they are now all offered at one price, 5s.

Walpoles have now received a delivery of high-grade, well-cut English Dressing Gowns, including some charming, warm, quilted styles in most attractive silks; also tailored warm Flannel and Camel Hair Gowns. These are at last year's prices, and should have arrived last October. An opportunity to secure a lasting Walpole Gown. We think it may not be easy, or even possible, to get these gowns again.—Walpoles, Suffolk street, Dublin.

James Midleton, C.S.M.M.G., masseur and medical electrician, has resumed practice at 28 Mallow street, Limerick.

Leaders of Fashion in all Spectacle Wear.—Dixon and Hempenstall, Grafton street.

Last two weeks of Arnotts Sale.

Fashionable Spectacles at Moderate Prices. Pollock and Co., Ltd., 50 Grafton street.

At Slyne's Sale—Navy Coat, with sleeves diagonally strapped with astrachan, for 2½ gns. At Slyne's, Ltd., 71 Grafton street.

IRISH AIR LINES.

Among the arrivals were:—Mr. P. Barrett, Mr. J. Barrett, Miss Mary Gavan, Mr. J. H. Pim, Mr. T. N. Montgomery, the Rev. P. McNally, Mr. A. Donovan, Mr. F. Owens, Mr. F. Avey.

Among the departures were:—Mr. Dan O'Kane, Mr. M. Reilly, Mr. B. Geoghegan, Mr. Twomey, Mr. Brown, the Rev. J. MacNamara, Miss K. Vereker, Miss Delia McGreevy, Mrs. E. Greaney, Father Slattery, Mr. B. Hamilton, Mr. Daniels, Mr. M. O'Shea, the Rev. L. O'Rourke, Mr. Martin J. O'Riordan, Miss M. Vereker, George F. Gilmartin, Miss A. Crawley, Mr. R. Goodbody, Mr. Rhett, Miss Margaret Condon, Mr. B. K. McFarland, the Rev. J. J. Murphy, Lady Callaghan, Mr. S. Lavelle, Mrs. Ethel Harrison, the Rev. D. Daly.

Last few days of Sale—Stephens & Bourke, Ltd., 26 Stephen's Green and branches.

To Ladies.—Medical Appliances, Belts, etc.; Artificial Silk Elastic Stockings which defy detection or Lastex and Lastestar Stockings which need no covering hose and wash well. Lady attendants.—Fannin and Co., Ltd., 41 Grafton street.

Sharpley's, Specialist, Baby Linen, Nursery, Accouchement Sets. Price List—2 Nassau St., Dublin.

STYLE IN CHURCH DESIGN

REV. S. J. BROWN'S VIEW

The Rev. Stephen J. Brown, S.J., gave a lecture, entitled "In what style shall I build my Church?" at the meeting of the Architectural Association of Ireland in 8 Merrion square, Dublin, last night. Father Brown said that the new style of architecture would have to win public approval on its own merits rather than by artificial arguments about the older style. He said that he was attempting to defend the continuance of the use of the old style in conjunction with the new, and was considering the subject primarily as a priest, while not ignoring the æsthetic aspects. Father Brown gave his own reactions to the question in the title of the lecture, and said that he would not refuse a design because it did not follow one or the other particular traditional style. The whole question, to his mind would be: was the building suitable for its purpose; was it beautiful, harmonious, well-proportioned, dignified, and would it not only look like a church, but be one?

Mr. J. V. Downes, F.,R.I.A.I., proposed, and Mr. J. J. Robinson, F.,R I.A.I., seconded, a vote of thanks.

The President (Mr. S. Leonard, M.,R.I.A.I) was in the chair.

NEWS SUMMARY

A British convoy has been attacked in the Mediterranean. The British Admiralty state that three British war vessels were damaged, an Italian destroyer was sunk, and twelve German and Italian 'planes were brought down. The Italians claim that three British war vessels were sunk, and that hits were obtained on about 12 or 13 other vessels.

The Greeks claim to have repulsed two Italian attacks on an unspecified front.

Addressing the annual meeting in New York yesterday of the Chase National Bank, the chairman (Mr. Winthrop Aldrich) said that the ultimate decision in this total war depended not on the gallantry of the British people, but on their ability to obtain necessary war materials, mainly from the United States. This, he said, was an integral part of the American defence programme.

The Bulgarian Government yesterday denied that German troops have entered the country. The Germans denied that M. Antonescue, Rumanian Premier, was to visit Berlin. Rumanian territorial waters were declared to be a danger zone.

An Italian general, taken by the British, was found in the Western desert. No news about Tobruk is available.

Commenting yesterday on a statement by an opponent of the bill authorising him to carry out his policy of total aid to the democracies, that "every fourth American child would be ploughed under," President Roosevelt said that it was the rottenest thing that had been said in public life in his generation.

HIGH WATER AT DUBLIN.

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Morning	1.22	2. 0
Evening	1.38	2.17

HIGH WATER AT OTHER PORTS.

	Morning.	Evening.
Ballina	9.51	10.20
Belfast	0.52	1. 8
Drogheda	1.10	1.26
Galway	7.14	7.42
Sligo	7.54	8.27
Waterford	8.40	9. 1

LONDON LETTER

FIGHTING THE FIRE BOMB

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.
59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
TUESDAY NIGHT.

LONDON enjoyed a night free from air raids, but there was a very severe attack on a coastal town in the south-west, during which a church was gutted, two hospitals struck, and two shelters bombed. Many thousands of fire bombs were rained on the town, but fire-watchers, including men, women and children, pounced on them and quickly extinguished them, thus saving the town from great disaster. A number of fires was started in one district, however, and on this a new wave of raiding machines dropped many tons of high explosives, which did damage. It is remarkable that cinemas continued their performances, and the audiences were amused by amateurs, a party of soldiers giving a mouth organ concert, while an usherette gave crooning turns. At one time in this town and its neighbourhood a thousand fire bombs could be seen burning in roads and fields, and there were many fires in dwelling-houses. In another town bags or pails of sand are now to be found everywhere, every doorway having a receptacle standing in readiness to deal with fires if necessary. The public, recognising the great value of this easily-procured remedy, are taking the necessary steps to have supplies of sand ready to fight fire bombs should the occasion arise. The number of fire-watchers is daily increasing, and a story to-day is that in one block of flats where the occupants were very slack the Air Warden put up a notice in the entrance hall, writing against the names of the occupants "Has volunteered" or "Has not volunteered." In two days there were only three people standing out, and these were brought to change their minds by being knocked up every ten minutes through the night and told that there might be a fire bomb on their flat. Every flat has now furnished a fire-fighter.

Argentine Wheat

Among the peculiar situations created by the war is that countries with more food than they want cannot send it away, and places in need of it cannot send for it. An instance is provided by the surplus in the Argentine of wheat, which is greatly needed by some

CONVOY ATTACKED IN THE MEDITERRANEAN

BRITISH ADMIT—

THREE WARSHIPS DAMAGED

CLAIM ITALIAN DESTROYER SUNK

ITALIANS CLAIM—

FIVE BRITISH SHIPS SUNK

ELEVEN OTHERS DAMAGED

TWELVE 'PLANES SHOT DOWN

GERMAN 'planes aided the Italians in a dive-bombing attack on an important British convoy taking supplies to Greece on Friday morning.

The British aircraft-carrier Illustrious, the destroyer Gallant and the cruiser Southampton were damaged, and the British Admiralty claim that "twelve enemy 'planes were shot down and an Italian destroyer sunk." The convoy got through safely.

A Rome broadcast claims that a British cruiser and four submarines had been sunk, and an Associated Press message, quoting a Rome newspaper, says that eight other warships and three steamers of the convoy had been hit.

BRITISH COMMUNIQUE

An official British Admiralty *communiqué* last night stated :—

"Our naval forces have been operating in the Central Mediterranean during the period January 7th to 13th, covering the passage of convoys through the Mediterranean.

"On the morning of January 10, when in the Sicilian Channel, two Italian destroyers were encountered.

"One of these, of the Spica class, was sunk; the other managed to escape.

"Later H.M.S. Gallant was damaged by a mine or torpedo, but has arrived in harbour.

"German and Italian Air Force, working from Italian bases and including a number of dive-bombers, made great efforts against our ships during these operations.

"H.M.S. Illustrious (Captain D. W. Boyd, C.B.E., D.S.C., R.N.) was hit, and received some damage and casualties.

"One of our cruisers, H.M.S. Southampton (Captain B. C. B. Brooke, R.N.), was also hit and suffered casualties.

"Twelve enemy aircraft at least were shot down and a further number was damaged.

"The main object of the operations, which was that of passing a convoy from West to East, was carried out according to plan. This convoy carried important material assistance for Greece.

"The next of kin of casualties are being informed."

ITALIAN CLAIM

ASSOCIATED PRESS.

ROME, Tuesday.

The *Popolo Di Roma* to-day listed fifteen British warships and merchantmen claimed to have been hit by bombs in Italo-German air attacks on a convoy in the Straits of Sicily between January 9 and 12.

The newspaper claimed that a cruiser and two submarines had been sunk, and that a 31,110 tons battleship of the Malay class, two cruisers, two aircraft carriers, a warship of heavy tonnage, three destroyers and three steamers had been damaged.

" SIXTEEN SHIPS HIT "

A Rome radio announcement last night (says the Press Association) claimed that sixteen British warships had been "either damaged or sunk" in the Mediterranean.

They included, according to the announcer, two aircraft carriers—one of which was said to be undergoing repairs at Malta; a 31,000 ton battleship, three cruisers—one sunk "for certain"; another capital ship, three destroyers, four submarines "definitely sunk," and two smaller craft.

The announcer also stated that lifeboats and sailors' caps bearing the name "Gallant" had been found in the Mediterranean.

"On January 10 a British destroyer was seen motionless surrounded by other craft which were obviously trying to take her in tow," he said. "On the same day a British cruiser was observed with a 30 degrees list.

"Large patches of oil have also been seen off the coast of Malta and other fragments of wrecked ships observed."

OVER A MONTH

Italian claims of damage done to the British Mediterranean Fleet during the past month—from December 12 to January 13—were given (says the Press Association) by Rome Radio last night as :—

Sunk—Four cruisers, three submarines, two transports, and one auxiliary cruiser or large transport.

Damaged—One battleship of the Malaya class, two aircraft carriers, three cruisers, at least three destroyers, one submarine, one monitor, one gunboat, and one "large unit not identified."

Grand total—Twenty-three vessels sunk or damaged.

This list includes British units alleged to have been put out of action in German dive-bombing attacks.

THE BRITISH SHIPS

The Illustrious was one of the ships from which the Fleet air arm dealt its crippling blow to the Italian Navy at Taranto. One of the newest of Britain's aircraft carriers, she was launched in April, 1939—she has a displacement of 23,000 tons and carries about 70 aircraft. Her speed is over 30 knots and her complement is 1,600. She is armed with 16 "dual purpose" guns of 4.5-inch calibre.

The cruiser Southampton (9,100 tons) was launched at Clydebank in 1936, has a speed of 32 knots and a main armament of twelve 6-inch guns. She was an escort vessel when the King and Queen visited Canada and the United States.

Early in the war she suffered three casualties when raiders bombed shipping in the Firth of Forth. During the Spanish civil war the cruiser rescued 90 Spanish refugees who were drifting in the Bay of Biscay in a heavy gale.

The Gallant, a destroyer of 1,335 tons, carrying four 4.7-inch guns, was built under the 1933 programme and has a speed of 36 knots.

Italian vessels of the Spica class have displacements of about 638 tons and are armed with three 3.9-inch guns, with ten smaller guns and four torpedo tubes. They carry a complement of 94 and have a speed of 34 knots.

Captain Boyd, of the Illustrious, won the D.S.C. in the last war for service with submarine flotillas.

Captain B. C. B. Brooke, of the Southampton, was in the cruiser Curlew when she was sunk by German 'planes off the North coast of Norway last June.

ANKARA TALKS BEGIN

Officers of the British Middle East Command began official conversations with the Turkish High Command yesterday, says the Associated Press from Ankara.

There has been no Turkish comment on these talks.

THE NORTHERN GOVERNMENT

TWO NEW PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARIES

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Tuesday.

In the Northern Parliament this afternoon the Prime Minister (Mr. J. M. Andrews) introduced the Salaries of Ministerial Offices Bill, which amends further the Salaries of Ministerial Offices Act, 1941, by establishing two additional offices—Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Agriculture and Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Commerce, to each of which is attached a salary of £1,000.

The bill is a preliminary to the forthcoming reorganisation of the Northern Cabinet. It is understood that the Prime Minister will relinquish the position of Minister of Finance, and will be succeeded by the present Minister of Agriculture, Sir Basil Brooke, Bart. Lord Glentoran is expected to be the new Minister of Agriculture, and also may retain the position of Chief Government Whip. He will be assisted by a new Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Agriculture. Several names are mentioned for this position, including that of the Rev. Robert Moore, M.P.; Mr. William Brian Maginess, LL.D., the representative of the Iveagh Division of the County Down, and Lieutenant-Colonel John Patrick, representative of Mid-Antrim. It is considered possible that Dr. Maginess, a barrister-at-law, will be appointed.

Sir Wilson Hungerford, Chairman of the Select Committee on Unemployment, it is believed, will be the Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Commerce.

Major Maynard Sinclair may be appointed to the vacant position of Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Finance.

Under this plan three of the younger members of the Unionist Party will attain junior Ministerial rank.

BRITISH MERCANTILE LOSSES

FIFTH LOWEST OF THE WAR

British mercantile losses during the first week of the new year were the fifth lowest of the war. Only four British ships, totalling 14,687 tons, were lost and no Allied or neutral ships were sunk, states the British Admiralty.

These losses were also the lowest since the week ended May 5-6 of last year, when three ships were sunk of 13,785 tons.

Authoritative naval circles in London pointed out yesterday that the reasons for a decrease in shipping losses must always remain a matter of conjecture, but weather conditions during the first week of January were bad for flying. This meant that fewer German aircraft took off and there was a temporary reduction of magnetic minelaying. One reason for the reduction may be the numerous heavy R.A.F. attacks on the German naval and German-occupied French bases, which are beginning to have their effect upon the number of German submarines operating in the Atlantic, although it would not reduce the number of Italian submarines which are also being employed.

There has also been an increase in the escorting flotillas to convoys and a number of American destroyers are slowly but continuously coming into service.

The falling off in losses can be seen from the figures for the four successive weeks following that ended December 8, when 23 British and Allied ships, totalling 101,190 tons were lost. Week ended January 5, four ships, 14,687 tons; week ended December 29, eight ships, 43,328 tons; week ended December 22, 20 ships, 54,834 tons; week ended December 15, seven ships, 41,476 tons.

ATTEMPT TO RUN BLOCKADE

STEAMER MENDOZA AGAIN AT SEA

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

MONTE VIDEO, Tuesday.

The French steamer Mendoza (8,199 tons), which took refuge in Uruguayan waters after being intercepted by the British Auxiliary cruiser Asturia yesterday, left again for an unknown destination this morning. She had lain all night at anchor at the entrance to Monte Video harbour channel.

The Mendoza left Buenos Aires with a general cargo for unoccupied France on Friday last in an attempt to run the British blockade.

A later message states :—Naval sources here said to-day that the French merchantman, Mendoza, had been sighted at sundown heading back to Montevideo, along the fringe of Uruguayan territorial waters, with the British merchant cruiser Asturias playing watch-dog a short distance out to sea.

The Mendoza anchored in Punta del Este Harbour, 112 miles from Montevideo, apparently to remain overnight.

Port officials sent out to ask the reason for the ship's call.

DEATH OF SENATOR'S SON

Desmond Patrick Counihan (15), younger son of Senator and Mrs. J. J. Counihan, of Newlawn, Ballyboughal, Co. Dublin, died in Jervis Street Hospital, Dublin, early this morning from injuries received when he was knocked down by a tram in O'Connell street, Dublin, on Monday. Desmond Counihan was a student at Clongowes Wood College.

NO GERMAN TROOPS IN BULGARIA

Official Denial Published

RUMANIAN WATERS AS DANGER ZONE

AN official denial of the presence of German troops in Bulgaria, or of any diplomatic steps in this connection, was issued in Sofia last night.

The Bulgarian Telegraph Agency said that it was authorised to declare that no foreign troops have passed into Bulgaria, and that the Bulgarian Government has made no approach to any foreign Governments since no reason for such steps exists.

The denial was published simultaneously with the publication of the Soviet statement by the Tass Agency that Russia had not been informed of any such troop movements, and a similar denial by the official German News Agency.

" UNWELCOME SURPRISE "

Commenting on the Bulgarian Prime Minister's speech on Sunday, in which he reaffirmed Bulgaria's policy of peace and neutrality, the Berlin correspondent of the *Tribune de Geneve* writes :—" M. Filoff's speech came as an unwelcome surprise in Berlin, where it was believed that he was about to be superseded as Prime Minister."

The correspondent considers it unlikely that Germany will intervene in the Balkans, because she is unwilling to irritate Turkey at present.

Berlin political circles yesterday were quoted by the official German News Agency as denying knowledge of any plan for General Antonescu, the Rumanian Prime Minister, to visit Berlin

NO CONFIRMATION

Rumanian officials yesterday refused to confirm or deny the report that General Antonescu has been summoned to Berlin by Hitler, says Reuter. A Bucharest despatch said that Antonescu was still there yesterday.

M. Horia Sima, Deputy Premier and head of the Iron Guard, has called meetings of his followers in all towns throughout the country for January 19. Speakers will address the meetings on : "The struggle of Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy for the establishment of a new European order."

A note of defiance was sounded in the Rumanian newspaper, *Curentul*, yesterday over German plans to turn Rumania into a granary and oil reservoir at the expense of her industrial development. The newspaper was commenting on an article in the Berlin *Boersen Zeitung*, referring to Bucharest as the "destined centre of South-East Europe."

"If Bucharest is to be the political centre, it must also be the economic centre," *Curentul* says. "The riches of her soil give Rumania this right. Rumanian industry exists, and the legionary *régime* does not dream of giving it up. On the contrary, it must be expanded, though there is no intention to compete with other industrial countries, of which Germany is the first."

AS DANGER ZONE

The Rumanian Ministry of Marine yesterday ordered that Rumanian territorial waters were to be regarded as a danger zone, Ankara wireless announced last night. The consent of the naval authorities at Constanza or Solina must be obtained by vessels desiring to enter Rumanian waters. No reason was given for this move.

Extreme cold throughout Rumania is holding up traffic and communications. Packs of wolves are attacking villages in Moldavia, says Reuter. At Jassy the thermometer dropped to 64 degrees below freezing point (Fahrenheit).

BRITISH ATTACHE LEAVES BUDAPEST

Swiss wireless broadcast a German report from Budapest last night that the British Military Attaché in Budapest, Lieutenant-Colonel Barclay, had definitely left his post, says the Associated Press.

THE PETROL SUPPLY

GOVERNMENT ASKED TO TELL THE POSITION

The Irish Motor Traders' Association has asked the Government to state what the petrol position is likely to be in February, March and April.

The last Order made by the Government referred only to this month, and no indication was given as to whether at the end of that period the situation would have improved to such an extent to permit the granting of bigger allowances. On the Minister's answer to the request will depend the employment of a large number of workers and the existence of many garages. If there is to be a permanent shortage of petrol it might be possible—with a lead from the Government and with the assistance of experts—to make arrangements for the use of gas to drive motor vehicles. The difficulty with regard to gas, however, is that certain adjustments would have to be made to the car before it could be used, and, as this might mean considerable outlay, those interested will wait for a clearer prospect in regard to petrol supplies before adopting gas. If the Government stated that the present shortage of petrol was likely to continue, and encouraged the use of gas, the principal Dublin garages might be induced to encourage its use.

In the meantime, trains and omnibuses between the city and the suburbs are carrying hundreds of ex-motorists, and business in the garages is still at its lowest peak. The Government's statement showing the classes of people for whom extra supplies of petrol will be available published yesterday was received with satisfaction by those concerned, although this satisfaction is tempered by the lack of information as to how much the special allowances are likely to run. For example, the doctor who last December received thirty gallons does not know how much he will get under the special allowances. So far the Dublin garages have not received any of the coupons entitling the holder to the extra allowance, but it is believed that they are in the course of distribution.

The fact that commercial travellers are not specifically mentioned in the list has caused a great deal of concern. While it is possible for travellers to use the usual public transport facilities, there are cases where the motor car cannot be dispensed with without considerable inconvenience.

APPLY IN WRITING

The Department of Supplies ask motor vehicle users to note that for the present application for supplementary allowances of petrol must be made in writing. The Department finds it impossible to entertain personal applications. Yesterday the Department was besieged by people claiming supplementary allowances.

U.S. BOMBERS

"HOP OFF" FOR BRITAIN

ELIZABETH CITY, NORTH CAROLINA, Tuesday.

Five long-range reconnaissance bombers built in the United States hopped off to join the Royal Air Force.

Each bomber has a cruising range of 4,000 miles. They were made by the Consolidated Aircraft Corporation, of San Diego, California.—(Press Association.)

L'ORIENT AGAIN RAIDED BY R.A.F.

HEAVY BOMBS ON NAVAL WORKS

MUCH DESTRUCTION IN MIDDLE EAST

DAMAGE to the German submarine base of L'Orient (already much bombed) resulted from a Royal Air Force raid on Monday, a British Air Ministry communiqué stated yesterday.

"Heavy bombs," the communiqué says, "were observed to burst on the Naval Ordnance Works and on buildings in the dock. Aircraft of the Bomber Command also attacked targets in the Dunkirk area, and started one large and several smaller fires.

"From these operations all our aircraft returned safely. During daylight on Monday one of our aircraft was lost on patrol operations."

BLOWS IN MIDDLE EAST

CAIRO, Tuesday.

The following is the latest *communiqué* issued from R.A.F. Headquarters, Middle East :—"The aerodrome at Catania, Sicily, was heavily raided by bombers of the R.A.F. during the night of January 12-13. A series of attacks was made, during which very heavy damage was caused. Two hangars on the west side of the aerodrome were hit and set on fire, one of them being demolished. Another hangar on the east side of the aerodrome was also hit and set ablaze.

"Heavy explosions occurred, and numerous fires were started among the administrative buildings. A petrol dump was set on fire, and at least nine aircraft, thought to be German Junker 87's, were destroyed. Other bombs hit the main runways and a railway line along the west side of the aerodrome.

"The fires and explosions were visible from Cape Passero, forty-five miles away. Two of our bombers failed to return to their base, but the crew of one of them was rescued when the aircraft made a forced landing.

BLAZING AIRCRAFT

"On the same night raids were carried out on the aerodromes at Berka and Benina (Libya). Large fires were started at Benina, where six enemy aircraft were seen blazing on the ground. Many others are believed to have been put out of action by bomb splinters and a subsequent machine-gun attack. A large fire was still burning fiercely when our aircraft left.

"Hangars and barracks were hit at Berka, with subsequent explosions. On the previous night a railway and the docks at Benghasi were attacked, one large explosion occurring. Raids were also made on the barracks and defences at Derna, fires being started among the barracks.

IN ALBANIA

"Military concentrations at Barati (Albania) were bombed by our aircraft yesterday. Bombs fell in the target area, and although full observation of the results was not possible owing to weather conditions, it is believed that direct hits were registered. Smoke was seen rising from a bridgehead in the south end of the town when our aircraft—all of which returned safely—left the target.

"In Italian East Africa night raids were made on aerodromes at Asmara, Barentu and the Agordat on January 12-13, while at Mai Adaga a further attack was made on the Caproni workshops, where a large fire was caused among the buildings. At Tessenei yesterday a dive attack was made on motor transport concentrations, one large and several small fires being started.

"From these operations in East Africa all our aircraft returned safely."

CHARGE OF WIFE MURDER

PROFESSOR UNDER ARREST

Arthur Lloyd-James, aged fifty-six, university professor, of Hollycroft avenue, Hampstead, London, was charged last night at Hampstead police station with the murder of his wife, Elsie. He will appear at Hampstead Petty Sessions this morning.

Professor Lloyd-James, a Welshman, is an adviser to the B.B.C. on announcers' pronunciation. He is a Professor of Phonetics at the School of Oriental Studies, Linguistic Adviser to the B.B.C., and Secretary of the B.B.C. Advisory Committee on Spoken English.

His wife, who came from Llanelly, Carmarthenshire, was elected a Fellow of the Royal Academy of Music in 1925. They have one son, Mr. David Lloyd-James, Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, a former B.B.C. announcer.

Professor Lloyd-James has been associated with broadcasting and speech problems since 1924, and he has broadcast on speech and language in England, on the Continent, in the United States of America, and Canada.

Mrs. Lloyd-James's death occurred yesterday. Police who went to the house in Hollycroft avenue, found that she was suffering from wounds.

Professor Lloyd James and his wife are stated by neighbours to have evacuated to the country earlier in the war. It was understood that he had been ill. Some time ago Mrs. James returned to the house with her mother, and the two women had been living together. Neighbours say that police cars and an ambulance arrived at the house late yesterday. The ambulance went away empty and police photographers entered the house and spent some time inside.

DAIL TO DISCUSS SUPPLIES

TWO-DAY SESSION EXPECTED

BY OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.

The session of the Dail fixed for to-morrow (Thursday) will probably extend to Friday. According to the official announcement convening the House, the chief business will be to discuss Mr. W. T. Cosgrave's motion and such other business as the Government may bring before the Dail. Mr. Cosgrave's motion is as follows :—"That the Dail is of opinion that the Government should define the probable future situaiton in regard to essential supplies, and indicate what steps are contemplated for their equitable distribution in the event of acute shortage developing."

Other motions, while expressing the desirability of extending the area under wheat, suggest that the minimum price for wheat should be not less than 50s. per barrel; request credit facilities for farmers to ensure full production, and the scaling down of old debts.

The members of the Fine Gael Party are meeting this evening at their offices, 3 Merrion square, to consider the situation.

BRITAIN'S RAIDLESS DAY

Up to a late hour last night no raiding aircraft were reported over Britain. An Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security *communiqué* at 6 p.m stated that there was nothing to report during daylight.

Persistent bad weather over the German bases probably accounts for the lull in night activity.

LITTLE ACTIVITY AT TOBRUK

British Action on Sudan Front

ITALIAN GENERAL CAPTURED

THE Italians in Tobruk seem to be awaiting their fate resignedly, according to observations by British reconnaissance pilots, who operate daily over the whole of Cyrenaica, says the Press Association Special Correspondent at the advanced air base outside Tobruk.

"To-day I flew westwards as far as Derna, but saw no sign of any movements from the Italians," one pilot said. "The Italians inside the Tobruk defences also seemed to be lying doggo."

Sandstorms, which began again on Monday, have somewhat hampered air observation and shelling by British Artillery.

Taking advantage of brilliant moonlight, British troops, supported by artillery fire, have carried out a strong night raid on prepared Italian positions in the Gallabat sector of the Sudan-Abyssinian front, says the Press Association from Khartoum. After fierce hand-to-hand fighting, the British gained their objectives.

The Italians are estimated to have lost 60 killed. British casualties were very slight.

British patrols are also continuing strong pressure against Italian positions in the Kassala sector further north.

AIR PATROLS

A description of the capture of an Italian General, General Argentino, who was formerly in command at Sidi Barrani, and the news that Hurricanes are still looking for other Italian Generals and officers who escaped from Bardia before the town was surrounded, are contained in a British Air Ministry News Service message yesterday from the Middle-East.

A search for a large party of Italian Generals and senior officers, which has already proved successful, is still being carried out by Hurricane aircraft of the R.A.F., it states. These Italians are the vanguard of Italian troops who escaped from Bardia and went towards Tobruk along the coastal paths before Bardia was surrounded and taken.

R.A.F. Hurricanes are flying low, sometimes skimming the cliffs at fifty feet and spotting lurking Italians Itaking refuge in caves. Two days ago a Hurricane saw a small party of Italian officers hiding by the water's edge and a naval unit was advised. A British motor boat immediately took up the chase, which resulted in the capture of the party, one of whom was General Argentino.

AMERICAN MACHINES

British victories in Libya are attributed by the Cologne newspaper, *Kolnischer Zeitung*, principally to "the British use of American 'planes and also to the well-known superiority of the British tanks over the Italians."

ITALIAN ATTACKS BROKEN

GREEK SPOKESMAN'S CLAIM

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

ATHENS, Tuesday.

A Greek Government spokesman reported to-night that the Italians had withdrawn in disorder after two local counter-attacks. In the first, he said, they abandoned a number of dead and wounded before renewing the attack. In the second attack the Italians were reported to have suffered heavier losses.

"They abandoned this operation and returned to their original position in disorder, having left dead and wounded and a group of prisoners, including two officers," the spokesman said. "Four tanks were captured. Three of them could be used, and were immediately turned against the enemy. One enemy aircraft was shot down by machine-gun fire."

Last night's Greek war *communiqué* states :—"Limited activity. Some prisoners have been taken."

The Ministry of Home Security in Athens issued a *communiqué* stating that the Italians had bombed Preveza. A church collapsed and some buildings were slightly damaged, but there were no casualties.

FROM "THE TIMES"

(BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT.)

A NEW HOSPITAL SERVICE

In a leading article to-day *The Times* says :—The case for replanning the hospital system of this country on a regional basis has been recognised for many years—indeed, ever since the establishment of the Ministry of Health. Both the late Sir Robert Morant and Sir George Newman expressed it at various times; and the Medical Advisory Committee to the Ministry, which was appointed soon after its formation under the chairmanship of Lord Dawson, actually submitted a regional scheme. Then, in 1937, the report of the Sankey Commission was published—with the recommendation that the voluntary hospital services should be placed on a regional basis in order to secure greater efficiency and economy. Meanwhile, successful efforts were made to establish contact in London and elsewhere between voluntary and municipal hospitals with a view to the fuller use of existing resources.

By good fortune this movement achieved at Oxford what has been one of its most conspicuous successes. Some seven years ago Lord Nuffield established there a trust with the object of co-ordinating hospital services. The Joint Hospitals Board was established, with members including representatives of the local authorities and the voluntary hospitals. All matters affecting hospital services in the area are referred to the Board, which has assumed in consequence a general direction of policy. The local authorities are well satisfied, and the finances of the voluntary hospitals have benefited by contributions made under the Local Government Act of 1921 from the local authorities to the Joint Board. This excellent scheme prompted Lord Nuffield, in 1939, to found his Nuffield Provincial Hospitals' Trust, with an endowment of one million Morris Motors Ordinary share units.

The voluntary hospitals have always formed, and still continue to form, the backbone of the medical services of this country. They are the fountain from which has come the knowledge and skill whereby the other services have been sustained. They have borne the strain of recent years in such a manner as to prove beyond all doubt that they possess the confidence and affection of the nation, and that their service is indispensable in its existing form.

GOVERNMENTS IN COMPETITION

PRESS ASSOCIATION TELEGRAM.

OTTAWA, Tuesday.

Mr. Mackenzie King, the Canadian Prime Minister, opening the Conference of Dominion and Provincial Governments here to-day, said that Canada's war effort will be prejudiced if the growing stresses and strains in relations between these Governments are not relieved. Competition between them for sources of revenue "hangs over the country as a threat to its unity," he declared. "If it is allowed to continue our national war effort will inevitably be hampered."

WAR CLOSER TO THE UNITED STATES

Importance of Help for Britain

AMERICAN BANKER ON CRITICAL DAYS AHEAD

THE main objective of the United States in 1941 was to press the defence programme forward to a prompt and overwhelming success, said Mr. Winthrop W. Aldrich, Chairman of the Chase National Bank, addressing the annual general meeting, held in New York to-day, a Press Association War Special from New York announced last night.

The ultimate decision in this total war, he declared, depended not on the gallantry of the British people, but on their ability to obtain the necessary war materials, mainly from the United States. This was an integral part of the American defence programme.

FRANCE'S DOWNFALL

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"Since we met a year ago," Mr. Aldrich said, "the European war has moved closer to the United States, in fact if not in geography. At that time the land forces of the belligerents were largely inactive, awaiting the change in seasons, behind fortified lines within their own frontiers. In the air and on the sea, action was following the pattern made familiar before 1918. American opinion, already favourable to the cause of the democracies, believed, nevertheless, that war in Europe and war in Asia would eventually be resolved without hazard to the liberties of Americans, but with the invasion in April of Denmark and Norway, and the collapse a month later of the Netherlands and Belgium, American opinion was shocked into the realisation that the first line of democratic defence had been pierced.

"The downfall of France in June was a disaster to liberty such as the world has not seen in the memory of living man, and made it clear that the totalitarian system was deep within the bastions of freedom. The question remained, whether or not Britain could stand.

BRITISH GALLANTRY

"That, in a word, was the situation six months ago. It still is the situation, but in the meantime we have seen the gallant behaviour of the British at the evacuation of Dunkirk. We have seen also, not once, but many times, the fortitude of the British people under devastating fire from the air, and we have seen Britain extending her defence to Africa and the Mediterranean, and the Greeks reversing their position from defenders to attackers in the Albanian mountains.

"The low point of the war from the side of the Allies was the retirement from Dunkirk. It remains to be seen whether it was the turning point. There can be no doubt but that the great weight of American opinion desires it to prove in fact to have been the turning point, but the decision hinges not on the gallantry of the British people in this total war, or even upon their endurance under siege, but upon their capacity to provide themselves with the materials of war. The wastage on account of submarine warfare and the losses of industrial output due to attacks from the air make it impossible for Britain to maintain herself from her own efforts alone.

PRESERVING DEMOCRACY

"In consequence these losses must be made good from abroad, mainly from the United States. Thus in the phrase recently used by the President: 'We are the arsenal of democracy.' This load we are proud to bear; it is an integral part of our own vast defence programme undertaken as our comment on the invasion of the Netherlands, Belgium and France. In reality, the two efforts are but one, for they are to serve the single purpose of preserving democracy against totalitarian aggression.

"The conditions under which we have taken up the task, admittedly, are not ideal. The United States has recently emerged from ten years of depression in which we lived, in one degree or another, upon our capital. The debt of the Federal Government has more than doubled. In many of its branches industry has fallen behind its customary rate of year-to-year growth in productive capacity. Agriculture has lost most of its foreign markets, so that surplus stocks have continued to rise, but against these disadvantages are certain overwhelming advantages, which, given time to bring them into play, are bound to serve the national purpose fully and well.

VAST RESOURCES

"We are nearly half the economic world, our industrial productive capacity, though geared to peacetime uses, is second to none, and is backed by a vast multitude of skilled and unskilled workers, who adhere to the American tradition of initiative, ingenuity and energy. Our communication services, whether by rail, air or wire, are at their highest point of efficiency, and are unequalled anywhere. Our financial strength is supported by three-quarters of the world's stock of monetary gold, and is capable of meeting any demands that the national welfare, or the national defence, can make upon it.

"The problem is to fuse together these elements of our national economy, so that they can pass the critical test which lies ahead, which indeed we may have to face in the next few months. The main objective of the country in 1941 is to press the defence programme forward to a prompt and overwhelming success. It is the business of the whole financial community, as it is of this bank, to devote itself without reserve and with every resource of energy to the sound and speedy accomplishment of that purpose."

GREATER AID FOR BRITAIN

COUNCIL FOR U.S. SUPPLIES

Changes in the British supply organisation in the United States, including the setting-up of a Committee called the British Supply Council in North America, have resulted from the greatly increased volume of supplies from North America. Mr. Arthur B. Purvis becomes Chairman of the Council and Mr. Morris Wilson Deputy-Chairman. Sir Clive Baillieu will succeed Mr. Purvis as Director-General of the British Purchasing Commission.

Mr. Howe, Canadian Minister of Munitions and Supply, will be a member of the Council, which will deal with all issues of policy concerning supply, including representations to be made to the United States Administration, states the official announcement. There will be no alteration in the relations between the Supply Departments in Britain and the Department of Munitions and Supply in Canada

U.S. SPEAKER ON THE AID BILL

READY TO ACCEPT AMENDMENTS

WASHINGTON, Tuesday.

Mr. Sam Rayburn, Speaker of the House of Representatives, stated to-day that he was willing to accept "any restrictions whatever" on the Lease and Lend Bill to aid Britain, providing they did not interfere with the general purpose of the Bill." He made this statement at his Press conference.

Mr. Sol Bloom, Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, before which the Bill is coming to-morrow, said that he proposed to offer one or two amendments.

Mr. Cordell Hull, United States Secretary of State, will be the first witness at to-morrow's hearings. He will be followed by Mr. Morgenthau, Secretary of the Treasury, and Mr. Stimson, Secretary of War.

On Thursday Colonel Knox, Secretary of the Navy, and Mr. Knudsen, Director-General of President Roosevelt's new Supreme Defence Directorate, will testify.

Asked about reports that he intended to ask Mr. Bullitt and Mr. Kennedy, former United States Ambassadors to France and Britain, to appear before the Committee, Mr. Bloom replied that he was not going to call them.

"I do not see why they should not appear," he added. "I should be very pleased to arrange for Mr. Hoover, Mr. Landon, Mr. Willkie, Mr. Bullitt or Mr. Kennedy to appear if they request to be heard."—(Press Association.)

AID TO BRITAIN BILL

CRITICISM

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S COMMENT

ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday.

President Roosevelt, discussing the controversy over the Aid to Britain Bill at his Press conference to-day, condemned the statement "that every fourth American child would be ploughed under" as "the rottenest thing that has been said in public life in my generation."

The President declined to say who made the statement originally, but said that it had been repeated by several people.

[Senator Burton K. Wheeler, in a wireless speech on Sunday, said that the measure was the New Deal's "Triple A" foreign policy—to plough under every fourth American boy.]

President Roosevelt said that he had selected his Ambassador to London, but added that he had not even informed the prospective envoy or submitted his name to the British Government for approval.

The President would not comment on the proposals to limit to a specific time the powers which would be conferred on him by the Lease-Lend Bill.

SENATOR'S COMMENT

WASHINGTON, Tuesday.

Senator K. Wheeler, in a statement on Mr. Roosevelt's remarks, said: "Apparently, the President lost his temper. I sincerely hope that my statement will prove to be untrue, and that no American boys will be ploughed under because of this Administration's war-minded policy."

DUBLIN SKIPPER KILLED AT SEA

MACHINE-GUN ATTACK ON SHIP

A machine-gun attack on a ship carrying pottery clay to Ireland has resulted in the death of the skipper, Mr. Andrew Breslin, of 7 Amiens street, Dublin. The attack was revealed when the ship docked at Arklow.

At the inquest yesterday a formal verdict of death by machine-gun fire from unknown aircraft was returned by the East Wicklow Coroner (Dr. P. J. Hamilton).

Thomas Nolan, mate of the vessel, said that he saw an aeroplane directly overhead which he could not identify, and heard a burst of machine-gun fire. The skipper shouted that he was shot, and then went up to the wheelhouse.

It is believed that he received his wound when looking through the porthole of his cabin after hearing the first burst of fire. Captain Breslin, who was thirty-seven, leaves a widow and six children. He had been twenty years at sea.

" PLOT TO ASSASSINATE KING FAROUK "

An Associated Press message states that a fantastic story of a British Secret Service plot to assassinate King Farouk of Egypt and the Egyptian Queen Mother was broadcast by the German Radio from the Italian newspaper *Stampa*. It stated that the attempt on King Farouk and his mother had been prepared by "the same group who attempted to assassinate King Ibn Saud."

The "plot" had been discovered during the investigation into the latter, and "it has been established that the assailants were under orders of the British Intelligence Service." The intention, the paper stated, was to remove a number of leading Egyptian personalities as well as King Farouk.

MORE 'PLANES OVER SWITZERLAND

Swiss wireless to-night broadcast a *communiqué* issued by the Swiss Army Staff stating that single foreign aeroplanes flew over the Cantons of Schaffhausen, Zurich and the northern part of Argau at noon to-day. All were travelling in a westerly direction, Associated Press stated last night.

Air raid alarms were sounded at several places in Switzerland. Owing to mist it was impossible to identify the machines.

Swiss wireless also reported, the telegram added, that the Federal Council to-day received reports that foreign 'planes had flown over Switzerland during the last few days. In some cases the violation of Swiss territory could be ascribed to error and bad weather, while some were apparently deliberate.

The Federal Government had taken the necessary diplomatic steps.

Dr. J. F. Larchet will give an informal lecture on "Personal Reminiscences of the Irish Literary Movement" to-morrow at 8.15 p.m., in the Country Shop. Mr. H. L. Morrow will preside. This is the second lecture of a series sponsored by the Friends of the Irish Academy of Letters.

FLAX INDUSTRY THREATENED

SELECT COMMITTEE'S REPORT

NORTHERN GOVERNMENT TOLD TO GET OUT

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Tuesday.

OVER half the unemployed in Northern Ireland are in the linen industry due to shortage of flax, and the Government cannot escape responsibility for this, said Mr. John Johnston (Unionist, North Armagh) in the Northern Parliament to-day.

The interim report of the Select Committee, presented to the House to-day, pointed out that in Great Britain £600,000 was being expended on the erection of the flax factories and only £36,000 was being expended on green flax, fibre and flax seed in Northern Ireland. The Committee stated that this amount did not impress them as a fair or satisfactory deal.

The linen industry in Northern Ireland, the report stated, represented capital to the extent of many millions of pounds, employed over 65,000 people, produced over £10,000,000 worth of goods annually, and was the second largest exporter of goods to the United States of America.

"BARE FACTS"

Sir Wilson Hungerford, Chairman of the Committee, in presenting the report, said that it may sound a little alarming, but it simply stated bare facts, and there was no use disguising them, no matter how unpalatable they might be. Evidence had been produced to show that private enterprise, instead of being encouraged, was throttled by legislation, and its very existence was threatened. In Great Britain factories had been built in order to promote the growing and handling of flax in entirely new areas, and it would be interesting to know whether the money to erect these factories was taken from the contribution sent from Northern Ireland to Great Britain. There was nothing to prevent the British Government at the end of the war handing them over to private enterprise at a valuation, thus the traders across the water would be placed in an advantageous position as compared with those in Northern Ireland.

THE BARTER SYSTEM

He appealed for an effort to save flax seed as well as fibre, and the adoption of new methods, and said that they should see if the methods adopted by Russia in the establisment of the Rcos system would be of any service. It might be that a study of the barter system would yield gratifying results. After the war the whole economic system of the world, doubtless, would be altered, and they should be ready for the changes when they came.

Since 1918 no fewer than 27 weaving factories had ceased to exist. They should take prompt action to stem the tide of depression in the linen trade and reduce unemployment.

LONDON CONTROL

Mr. J. Beattie (Labour) said that there was no guarantee that the 100,000 acres of flax which was to be produced in Northern Ireland would all be available for local linen mills. The Ministe of Supply might allow them only 50 per cent. of this figure, although it required 218,000 acres to keep their home mills going. Eire to-day was growing 45,000 acres of flax, and the Minister for Supply there had decided that this flax would be at the disposal of the English and Scottish linen industry. Previously Eire flax was at the disposal of the linen industry in the North. Owing to the 1920 Act, all control in this matter was vested in London. Some employers from the North spent their time and money in going to London seeking orders, but when they arrived they were told: "When we need your mills and factories in Northern Ireland we will call upon you." In other words, they were told to let their mills be idle until such time as they were needed.

"GET OUT"

Mr. J. W. Nixon (Ind. U.) moved an amendment stating: "The report discloses that the Government have failed in their efforts to solve the unemployment problem in the six counties, and therefore, all members of the Government over fifteen years in office should resign, and a new Government be formed on the lines of the reconstituted British Government under Mr. Churchill. Mr. Nixon said: "You can't expect men who have failed for the past twenty years to succeed now. The trouble in the linen trade is shortage of flax. Whose fault was it but the Government's that flax was not grown by the six county farmers?" The Government, he said were not strong enough to make demands on Britain. The Government had failed, and the best thing they could do would be to make all members over fifty years of age resign. "I don't care where you go for successors, but get out. Enjoy your retirement, and get a pipe like Baldwin and smoke it."

TRAGIC POSITION

Mr. T. Henderson (Ind. U.) said that their position was a tragedy. The political jugglers in the front bench should clear out, and, if it would ease their minds, he was prepared to move that they should receive their present salaries as pensions. Did the Government realise that the unemployed would number at least 170,000 after the war? The members of the Cabinet were not like Ulstermen at all. Why did they not kick up a row in London? Even the representatives of the Free State Government in London had been able to get things done where the representatives of Northern Ireland had failed.

The Prime Minister, replying, said he clearly and definitely opposed the amendment, because it would be very detrimental to Northern Ireland to be deprived of all those men who had served her for so many years. The Government had not failed in its work, but had succeeded in very difficult circumstances. It was very often said that the Government were old and tired. "I don't feel tired and worn. I am just as fresh to-day as some of the members opposite. There is no one appreciates more than I do young men. I acknowledge their energy, drive and push, but older men have experience, which is valuable. They have travelled the road, and they know that pitfalls which lie ahead. I feel that the happy blend of young men and older men is best."

The amendment was defeated without a division.

GOVERNMENT BLAMED

Mr. John Johnston (U.) said that over half the unemployed in Northern Ireland were in the linen industry, and this was due to lack of flax. Thirty-seven per cent. of workers in the linen and ancillary industries were on the dole. The Government could not escape responsibility for the predicament the linen trade was in.

Mr. P. Agnew (Labour) said that the unemployment problem was worse than in any part of Great Britain, and the six counties should be declared a "distressed area."

The debate was adjourned until to-morrow.

For the first time in history South African warships are co-operating with the British Navy outside South African waters. It was officially announced in London yesterday that a flotilla of South African mine-sweepers, a unit of the Union's seaward defence force, left some weeks ago for this purpose.

CHANGING MOOD IN FRANCE

Pro-British Sentiment

HOPE REPLACING DESPAIR

MR. DUFF COOPER, British Minister of Information, in a broadcast last night, spoke of evidence from sources of "absolute accuracy" of the remarkable growth of pro-British sentiment in France to-day. Their mood of last summer, he said, had changed despair had given place to hope, resentment to reason. They saw that the only hope for the future of a France, free and independent, was a British victory.

THE TWO PEOPLES

One of Hitler's greatest errors was to believe that he could permanently suppress the spirit of France. It had always been the object of the German Army to divide the armies of France and Britain. They nearly succeeded in March, 1918, and they quite succeeded in June, 1940. It had always been the object of German propaganda to separate the French and British peoples. The opportunity of France's defeat was too good to be missed, and German propaganda made the most of it, suggesting that it was all the fault of the British.

"This propaganda worked well amongst the people who were heartbroken, and had for the time being lost their ability to reason. The war to them seemed over, continued British resistance was hopeless. That was the French mood of last summer, but it is not the mood of France to-day.

THE ONLY HOPE

"For months they have been contemplating, first with astonishment, then with dawning hope, and now with ever-increasing confidence, the great fight that the British have put up, the indomitable resistance against which the might of German aggression is gradually exhausting itself, and, as despair gave place to hope, so reason gradually took the place of resentment. The French people recovered their consciousness, and saw that the only hope for the future of France as a free, independent, sovereign State lay in the prospects of a British victory.

"We get plenty of evidence of what is going on in France from many sources, the absolute accuracy of which can be relied on, and they assure us that throughout France to-day the pro-British sentiment is growing with remarkable rapidity. Not unnaturally, it grows more rapidly in occupied France, where the hateful presence of the Germans reminds the people day by day of what they have lost, and what is their one hope of regaining it.

GROWING IN VIGOUR

"It is one of the greatest of all Hitler's errors," Mr. Duff Cooper concluded, "to believe that he can permanently suppress the spirit of France. That spirit is alive to-day, and it is growing in vigour. What better proof could we have than the simple fact that on Armistice Day the students in the streets of Paris sang 'The Marseillaise,' and when they were forbidden to sing it they sang 'God Save the King' instead."

ASKED TO DRAFT A PEACE PROGRAMME

WOMEN APPEAL TO MR. DE VALERA

The Irish Women Workers' Union have written to Mr. de Valera urging him to take steps to secure peace by mediation. The letter states:—

"Recent events have brought home to us the terrors of modern war. We realise that at any moment our country may be made an active centre of the conflict now destroying life, property and human happiness throughout the world. We are grateful that it has so far been possible to maintain Eire's neutrality. But we are well aware that the defence of that neutrality by force of arms must inevitably involve us in the terrible experiences of the belligerent nations. Therefore, we think this is a suitable occasion to suggest to you that it is the duty of the Government to use another and a different method of defence—the method of mediation, for the purpose of gaining a pause in the conflict, which would give opportunity for an effort to initiate peace negotiations.

"In this connection, we beg to draw your attention to the action of Senator Glover, of U.S.A., who has urged that his Government should, while there is still time before vast military preparations have made war inevitable, take every possible step towards ending the war, and he has drafted an eight-point peace programme, which he suggests might form a working basis for a conference. We, as women overwhelmed by horror of the miseries inflicted upon families and children in war areas, urge you to act on similar lines, to draft a peace programme containing proposals which from your knowledge of European affairs might lead to a just and honourable settlement of the present conflict, and to present such proposals to all the Governments with whom you have contacts, by whatever methods you deem wise. We believe that such action on your part would secure support from powerful quarters.

"As head of a neutral Government you have access to the belligerent as well as to the other neutral Governments, and this privilege involves at this time an immense moral responsibility."

WEDDING

MR. J. M. O. HARLEY AND -MISS M. M. MASSEY

The wedding took place on Friday last at Forfar, Scotland, of Mr. John Meighan Osborne Harley, son of Dr. and Mrs. R. J. Harley, Millhill House, Inchture, Perthshire, and Miss Myna Mary Massey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Massey, Lauriston, Douglas, County Cork.

The Service was conducted by the Rev. A. Copeland, M.A.

The bride was given away by Sir Harry Hope, Bart., in the absence of her father. She wore a two-piece *ensemble* of champagne pink wool crêpe, with a wine-coloured hat and accessories, a silver fox fur and a spray of pale pink carnations.

Miss Mary Copeland, bridesmaid, wore a navy blue *ensemble* with a spray of deep pink carnations.

Colonel Hackett acted as best man.

After the ceremony a reception was held by the bridegroom's mother, and later in the day Mr. and Mrs. J. M. O. Harley left for the North of Scotland, the bride wearing a blue tweed suit, with tan accessories.

IMPRESSIONS OF JAMES JOYCE

THE OPERA AND AFTER

(By L. O.)

"HE would know it," said Stephen McKenna once of James Joyce, "if a cake shop in Dublin changed its name from Murphy to Dempsey."

I had a chance of verifying this once. It was in the summer of 1931. I had been listening to John Sullivan, the tenor, the friend of Joyce, at the Paris Opera. They were performing that rarely-heard opera, "William Tell." Few tenors could be found to take the part of Tell, which demands an unusually high range. Sullivan, who sang the part, was a Pole of Irish descent. Every night he sang during that season Joyce was in the stalls listening to him. His voice had vigour and manliness—qualities not usually associated with a tenor, and these Joyce admired.

After the opera there was a party given by the Joyces in the Café de la Paix in honour of Sullivan. Mrs. Joyce, Mrs. Sullivan and a number of friends of various nationalities were there. One, I remember, was a Greek. (John Sullivan came along after the opera.) There was also an Irishman.

"WRITTEN ON HIS HEART"

And when the waiters had bustled about Joyce, paying him the honours French waiters consider due to a man of letters, and everyone was seated, Joyce said, apparently as the usual preamble of the evening "Any news?" The Irishman drew a Dublin evening paper from his pocket and began to read out of it to the almost blind novelist. After Joyce's questions about those events in the paper which he found specially interesting, he was told of the strangers present. When I said I came from Dublin he replied, with a kind of joyful bitterness: "A town I never heard of." I mentioned this to a Dublin woman on my return. She said: "Like Mary Tudor with Calais, he claimed that 'Dublin' was written on his heart."

In those days the Press were swarming to see him, and his Paris reputation was—"the man who cannot be interviewed." The lucky ones got as far as the American, Sylvia Beach, Joyce's publisher.

UNLIKE HIS PHOTOGRAPH

At the end of the Opera party we were pursued by a wandering Arab with an armful of carpets. He would not be gainsaid. It was Mrs Joyce who subdued him after repeated assertions that they must have a house in which the carpets should be put. "We have no house." she said; "we live in a hotel." For many weeks afterwards I recalled Joyce's face at odd moments, as it was in life, so unlike his photographs. It had nobility and suffering, and there was that in his forehead and dim-seeing eyes that made them seem to have been swept by a fire.

BURIAL TO-DAY

AN UNDENOMINATIONAL SERVICE

ASSOCIATED PRESS TELEGRAM.

ZURICH, Tuesday.

The family announced to-day that James Joyce will be buried to-morrow, with a non-denominational religious Service, in the cemetery chapel at Zurichberg, overlooking Zurich.

The music will be selected from that which Joyce enjoyed.

Eulogies will be delivered by Heinrich Straunan, Professor of English Literature at Zurich University; Lord Derwent, of the British Legation, and Doctor Geilinger, President of the Swiss Authors' Society.

IMPORTANCE OF FOOD PRODUCTION

DISCUSSION AT HOWTH COUNCIL

If the people with the land and the money were not going to do their part, it was time that the people should ensure that the unemployed, who might have to sacrifice their lives in the future, should not be without food, said Mr. Thomas Mullen, T.D., who presided last night at the monthly meeting of Howth Urban District Council.

It was time, he added, that some body like the Howth Urban District Council should step in and prevent such a thing from happening.

Mr. P. Rickard pointed out that everyone with ten or more acres of land must till at least one-fifth of it. They had at least half a dozen people in Howth with more than ten acres, and he suggested that if they were not prepared to till they could hand over the land to the Allotments Committee.

Councillor R. J. Burke urged that the Government should accept the responsibility for providing food for the people in war-time, and should not throw their obligation on to Parish Councils or Urban District Councils.

Mr. E. Reid said that a deputation from Howth Parish Council was going to the Howth estate to ask for ground for tillage. If Mr. Gaisford St. Lawrence was willing to lease some of his land, he knew many people who were anxious to get some.

It was decided to hand over the Council lands at Sutton to the Council tenants there as allotments for tillage. The Chairman said that it would not be necessary to fence the land.

NEW CHIEF WHIP

APPOINTMENT OF CAPTAIN J. G. STUART

The King, it is officially announced, has approved that the Right Hon. James Gray Stuart, M.C., M.P., be appointed Joint Parliamentary Secretary to His Majesty's Treasury, in the place of Captain the Right Hon. David Margetson, M.C., M.P., now Secretary of State for War.

Captain Stuart is aged 43. He is a brother of Lord Moray, and his wife, Lady Rachel Stuart, is a daughter of the late Duke of Devonshire. He has been Conservative M.P. for Moray and Nairn since 1923, and deputy to Captain Margesson since 1937. He is also Scottish Government Whip.

"ON TRYING TO BE FUNNY"

Mr. Lynn Doyle will open the second half of the Royal Dublin Society's lecture session on Friday afternoon next. To quote the lecturer's own words: "The gentle, brotherly spirit of humour is the glory of Press literature," and one may, therefore, expect that a talk on the art of being funny will receive skilful treatment at the hands of Lynn Doyle. Publishing his first book in 1908, he has written more or less continuously ever since; his plays have been produced successfully in Dublin, Belfast and Liverpool; he contributes to many high-class magazines in England and America, and is a master of the short story. His lecture will be repeated in the evening.

AMERICAN HELP FOR IRISH RED CROSS

When in Ireland recently Mr. Edward Lindsay Hogg, husband of Miss Geraldine Fitzgerald, the well-known Irish film star, informed Senator Robinson of his wish to help the Irish Red Cross Society by raising funds in America. Yesterday Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay Hogg cabled £350 to the Society, with the promise of more to follow.

SHORTHAND-TYPISTS.
Oral and Postal Classes working for next Exam.—SKERRY'S COLLEGE, Dublin.
—(Advt.)

IRISH NEWS IN BRIEF

Sudden Death.—Mr. John Dunne, for more than thirty years rate collector to Tullamore Urban District Council, died yesterday while on his way to his office.

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Offence Against Girl.—Found guilty by a jury at Nenagh Circuit Court of an offence against a girl under seventeen years, Patrick Downes, labourer, St. Joseph's Park, was sentenced to two years' imprisonment.

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Prison for Postman.—Thomas Sullivan, postman, Roscrea, pleaded guilty at Nenagh Circuit Court to charges of stealing postal packets while in transmission through the post, and was sentenced to fifteen months' imprisonment.

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Higher Board of Health Estimate.—The estimate submitted to the Clare Board of Health on Monday totalled £95,230. The Board reduced the estimate by £5,000, and adopted a sum of £90,230, being an increase of £4,490 over the amount adopted last year.

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Dinner Postponed.—Owing to the death of Mr. F. R. Higgins and to Mr. Maurice Walsh's bereavement last week, the Executive Committee of Irish P.E.N. (Dublin Centre) has postponed the meeting and informal dinner which was to have taken place at Jury's Hotel on Saturday next.

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Road Proposals Rejected.—Road works estimated to cost £10,956, introduced by members of the Louth County Council, were thrown out at the annual road works' meeting in Dundalk yesterday. The roads estimate, amounting to £31,931, was passed—the same amount as last year.

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Presentation to Law Society President.—To mark the appointment of Mr. Jasper T. Wolfe, solicitor, as President of the Incorporated Law Society of Ireland his colleagues of the West Cork Sessional Bar Association yesterday presented him with a solid silver salver, suitably inscribed. The presentaton was made by Mr. P. W. O'Donovan, President of the Association, who eulogised Mr. Wolfe. Mr. P. J. O'Driscoll, solicitor, supported the tribute, which Mr. Wolfe suitably acknowledged.

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Mutton Island Sold.—Mutton Island, containing 185 acres, was sold on Monday in Clare Circuit Court for £435 to Mr. M. J. McMahon, solicitor, Kilrush, on behalf of an undisclosed client. It was stated that no rates had been paid on the island for the past fifteen years, and that these would amount to about £17 10s. per year; also that the island was now infested with rabbits. The island was sold as a result of proceedings taken by Francis Griffey, Ennis, against John and Bridget Griffey to realise the estate of his father, deceased.

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Coroner's Recommendation.—The necessity for suitable morgues in County Dublin was emphasised in a letter from the County Coroner, Dr. J. P. Brennan, discussed at a meeting of the Dublin Board of Health yesterday. Dr. Brennan said that the temporary resting place of dead persons pending the result of the coroner's inquiries was usually an outhouse or some public house. He recommended the erection of a morgue at Dun Laoghaire and one or two others in suitable parts of the north county area. The letter was referred to the County Engineer.

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Suspensory Sentences.—At Cork Circuit Court yesterday Judge O'Connor passed a suspensory sentence of six months' imprisonment on James Donovan, 3 Cork road, Bandon, for stealing a box of tobacco, value £29. He was bound to the peace for three years. Timothy A. Brady, 26 South Main street, who was found guilty last week of obtaining £7 11s. from John Finn by falsely pretending that a certain certificate of motor insurance had been issued to him, pleaded guilty to four counts of a similar indictment in connection with the issue of a motor insurance policy to William Carey. A suspensory sentence of twelve months was imposed, and the accused man bound to the peace for three years.

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A.R.P. Officer's Allowance.—Despite the fact that the Department of Defence informed Cork Corporation that they had sanctioned the payment of £100 per annum allowance to Mr. G. A. Byrne, A.R.P. Officer for the City, plus £20 for the maintenance of a motor car, the Corporation, at their meeting last night, decided that the allowance should not be paid until the special service was required. Mr. J. Hickey, T.D., said that the whole principle of the matter was bad, because it was contrary to everything they had heard for some time. The City Manager said that the remuneration had been sanctioned by the Department in the light of their experience and knowledge.

THE LATE LORD BADEN-POWELL

IRISH GIRL GUIDES

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Irish Girl Guides, which was attended by the Viscountess Powerscourt, Miss C. Dease, Miss de Selby, Miss Findlater, Miss S. M. Findlater, Lady Franks, Mrs. J. M. Irwin, Miss E. Kenny, Miss E. Lanigan-O'Keeffe, Miss Mooney, Miss E. M. C. Moore, Miss H. Moore, Miss K. A. Scott, Mrs. C. G. Stapleton and the hon. secretary (Miss Beatty), a resolution was passed placing on record the profund regret of the Irish Girl Guides at the passing of Lord Baden Powell, the Chief Scout of the World and founder of the Boy Scout and Girl Guide Movements, and extending to Lady Baden Powell, the World Chief Guide, the deepest sympathy.

The Catholic Advisory Committee and Catholic members of the Executive Committee met prior to the meeting and drew up an appreciation of the founder, which reads as follows:—"The Catholic members of the Irish Girl Guides unite with their fellow-Guides and Scouts at home and all over the world in deep sympathy with the Chief Guide and her family at the passing of the founder, Lord Baden Powell. During their visit to Rome in 1932 the Chief Scout and the Chief Guide, as heads respectively of the World Movement of Boy Scouts and Girl Guides, had a long private audience with the Holy Father. His Holiness wished them every success in their activities and expressed the opinion that their work was 'magnificent.' May we, through the spirit of friendliness and willing co-operation that is at the root of all true Scouting and Guiding, prove ourselves not altogether unworthy of the privilege of being members of the World Association of Girl Guides."

It has been decided that Sunday next shall be kept as a day of remembrance, when Guides can be united in prayer in their various churches in memory of the founder and in thanksgiving for all that Guiding and Scouting is doing for the youth of the world.

A Memorial Service for Guides and Scouts will be held in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, next Sunday at 3.15 p.m. The Chief Commissioners, the Viscount and Viscountess Powerscourt will be present, and companies and troops in the Dublin area will parade with colours. Invitations have been sent to Guides and Scouts throughout the country.

Catholic members will attend Benediction Service in thanksgiving for Guiding and Scouting at the Irish Lourdes, Inchicore, by kind permission of the Superior, at 4 p.m. Companies and troops will parade with colours.

The Jewish members will hold a Service at the Synagogue, Adelaide road, Dublin, on Sunday, 26th January, at 4.30 p.m

Past members of the movement are very cordially invited to these Services, and those wishing to have seats reserved for them should apply for tickets to the Irish Girl Guides' headquarters, 28 South Frederick street, Dublin.

THE LATE SIR JOHN LAVERY

WREATH FROM BRITISH PREMIER

A wreath has been placed on Sir John Lavery's grave bearing the following inscription:—"In affectionate remembrance, from Winston and Clementine Churchill."

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

"RED CROSS 'CHASE DAY AT LEOPARDSTOWN"

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—As a motorist and racegoer of many years' experience, and one who has attended almost every large sporting event during the last fifteen years, it was with something approaching amazement that I read in your paper the article from the pen of your contributor, Mr. Harold C. Brown.

In fact, one is tempted to ask if Mr. Brown has ever attended a really important race meeting? Has he ever gone racing on Easter Monday and sampled the pleasure of not getting back to town for hours after the last race has been run? Or Galway on "Plate" day, and the delights of a tortoise-like crawl in the dust and heat back to the city after racing?

I think not, for had Mr. Brown ever enjoyed these drives I firmly believe he would have considered Leopardstown on last Red Cross 'chase day to be an importation from another planet, where everything is perfectly arranged.

I'll say nothing of famous Epsom, Ascot and Doncaster, when one is lucky to get home that night.

As to his suggestion of car parks, with certain fixed exit times, here one will run up against the perverseness of human nature. Mr. and Mrs. So-and-So arrive early at the course, and really don't know or care what time they leave, and the public to a man dislike being herded, ordered and bound down by regulations of this kind. Or perhaps the following is Mr. Brown's idea:

First race timed 1.45. Time is now 12.45. Cars arriving at racecourse in ever increasing numbers, and thousands more converging on entrance gates from all parts.

Car marshal at main gate. Lady driver approaches.

"Good morning, madam. I have a very nice line in car parks to offer to-day."

Lady Driver—"That is so kind of you." (Turning to friend beside her.) "These car marshals are so nice and obliging nowadays." (Two minutes wasted.)

Marshal—"I can offer No. 1 park at 5s. You must leave by 4.15, or not until 5 p.m. Or park No 2 at same price. You must leave by 4.45, or after 5.30." And so on.

After some six or seven minutes a really brilliant piece of salesmanship is effected, and pandemonium has broken out astern. After an hour of this (or much less), and when some six or seven cars have been admitted, the irate motorists take matters into their own hands. All the car marshals and label sellers are hanging from nearby trees, the car parks are full, most people have missed the first two races, and Mr. Harold C. Brown is happy, but only until he endeavours to leave in the evening.

As an old racegoer, why will not newspaper men stick to their own jobs, and leave racecourse managers to theirs? I am sure no racecourse manager would fancy his chances of running a newspaper successfully without a knowledge of his job gained from years of experience, but it seems to me newspaper men know the cure for all the world's ills. The motto for newspaper men going racing for the first time should be "*Festina Lente.*" Those boys "had something" in those days.

—Yours, etc.,

D. H. O'BRIEN.

"Knockcree," Carrickmines,
Co. Dublin.
January 13th, 1941.

AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—If your correspondent, "Anti-Scare," really believes that all Dublin would be "scared stiff for hours" by the noise of a warning siren, and that the nervous shock would be so great that no work whatever would be done on the following day, I can only say that he has an amazingly low opinion of his fellows.

As one who has heard the siren many times, I can assure him that the noise isn't so horrifying as all that. The first few times, admittedly, it is alarming, but after that you don't think twice about it. And surely it is better to sound the siren now, even without real need, if by doing so you are training people to think seriously about what they, personally, mean to do in an air raid. I hope Dublin will never be seriously bombed, but you must face up to the fact that it might be. And if there were a heavy attack, the very worst thing that could happen would be to have complacent citizens who had never bothered their heads about such things—never heard the siren before, never been to a shelter before, never made up their minds whether they would stay at home or seek safety elsewhere.

Lack of knowledge of these things leads to big casualties, and the siren is a wonderful teacher. In comparison with the scale of the attacks, the raid casualties in England are now much lower than they were in September. This is not luck, it is because people have learned how best to protect themselves. And they must learn some time.

"Anti-Scare," who is a warden, has presumably made up his mind about such things; but most people can only do so by experience. And even "Anti-Scare" might find his own experience enriched by the need for dealing with people under actual raid conditions. But, indeed, I find it hard to take him seriously—my only motive in writing was a fear that his point of view might not be confined to himself.—Yours, etc.,

L. T. FLEMING.

77 Carlton Mansions, London, W.9.
January 10th, 1941.

EDUCATION AND WOMEN

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—The National University Women Graduates' Association has learned with surprise and dismay of the exclusion of women from participation in the scheme recently announced by the Department of Education for a specialised Irish course designed to fit teachers to play a leading part in promoting the use of Irish among young people.

Why are women to be excluded from this important work? Have they not always proved themselves enthusiastic supporters and pioneers of the Irish language and cultural movement? If this scheme is not amended feelings of resentment and just indignation will be engendered among all Irishwomen. Surely these very "cultural and recreational activities" on which the Department lays special stress are the especial province of women. It would be a calamity should our Irish culture be deprived of such valuable services.—Yours, etc.,

ISABELLA CAREY, Hon. Secretary,
National University Women
Graduates' Association.
Dublin, January 13th, 1941.

GRANGEGORMAN AND ITS UPKEEP

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—The draft estimates for the coming year show that an extra £30,000 will be required for one of the many spending departments for which the unfortunate Dublin ratepayer is liable. Unless the ratepayers stir themselves and insist on drastic economies in all municipal services the outlook for 1941-'42 will be very serious for everybody.

We all remember the way the ratepayers' money used to be squandered on alcoholic beverages for the Dublin Union. Is it not time to apply the pruning knife to Grangegorman?

The apathy of the ratepayers for years past is largely responsible for the present high rates, and one might well ask what has become of Sir Valentine Grace's Ratepayers' Association. Has it collapsed for want of support, just as similar associations started in Dublin for the benefit of the ratepayers?

If the rates are further increased for 1941-'42 the ratepayers themselves are to blame for not presenting a united front, as trade unionists do when an attempt is made to worsen their conditions.—Yours, etc.,

"SUFFERER."

Dublin, January 14th, 1941.

THE BOOK OF KELLS

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Your correspondent in to-day's issue does not deny my statement that Queen Victoria never wrote her name in or on the Book of Kells. I wrote to make this quite clear, because the false belief that she did so is often cited as a deliberate and irretrievable act of Victorian vandalism. I agree with him that the taste involved in the later insertion of her autograph into the modern binding is questionable, but it is a matter of sentiment and political loyalties, not of material damage. I cannot agree that any point of scholarship whatever was involved. The only interpolated handwriting that I know of in the Book of Kells dates from a time long before T.C.D. or Queen Victoria ever saw it.—Yours, etc., W. B. STANFORD.

Carn, Dalkey, January 14th, 1941.

"OVERCOMING THE FIRE BOMB"

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—In your issue of Saturday, 11th January—in the "London Letter"—is a paragraph about dealing with the fire bomb with a dustbin. It is not clear whether the bomb is raked into the bin or where the wire is fixed inside the bin.

I am sure, if you can publish more details, readers will be interested.—Yours, etc.,

ERIC R. SHAW,

Ballinacurra House, Limerick.
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DANCES

RED CROSS SOCIETY, DUBLIN BRANCH

A successful dance was held last night in the Gresham Hotel, Dublin, under the auspices of the Irish Red Cross Society (Dublin Branch).

Many guests were present, and valuable prizes were distributed during the evening.

A large and capable committee, with Mrs. Frank Aiken as Chairman, was responsible for the arrangements, and dancing continued until a late hour to the music of the Gresham Band.

Among those present were:—The Minister for Co-Ordination of Defensive Measures, Mrs. Frank Aiken (Chairman of Dance Committee), Miss Clodagh MacDermot, the Lord Mayor, the French Minister, Mr. Annable, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. McGuire, Mr. Maxwell Arnott, Mr. Loftus Arnott, Mr. Bower, Count and Countess Taaffe, Miss Marjery O'Donnell, Mrs. Boylan, Senator J. P. Brennan and Mrs. Brennan, Miss Mairin Buckley, Mrs. Butler, Mrs. Peppard, Miss Carroll, Mr. Carthew, Mr. J. Campbell, Miss Conkley, Mr. J. O. Guthrie, Major Comerford, Mrs. Connor, Mr. J. Creecie, Mr. Crowley, Mr. M. Cullen, Miss B. Curtiss, Mr. J. F. Dempsey, Mrs. Dempsey, Mr. and Mrs. S. O'Connell, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Freeman, Mr. Devlin.

Mr. E. Dinan, Mrs. J. P. O'Brien, Mr. R. Henderson, Mr. D. M. O'Kelly, Mr. P. C. O'Hara, the Mayor of Sligo, Mr. Dowd, Mr. Farrell, Mrs. Fethertonhaugh, Mr. D. Fitzgerald, Mr. Hugo Flinn, Mr. Gallagher, Mr. J. R. Gillespie, Mr. J. Griffen, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Eason, Mr. Kehily, Mr. Vincent Kelly, Miss M. O'Conor, Miss G. O'Conor, Mr. E. D. Knapp, Mr. F. O'Reilly, Mr. J. Lane, Mrs. Leavy, Mr. Lloyd, Mr. C. Loughrey, Mr. T. Lynam, Mr. R. N. McArthur, Miss V. MacDonnell, Miss C. Connolly, Mr. L. P. McEvoy, Mr. McGonagle, Mr. M. T. McSharry, Mr. Moreton O'Ferrall, Mr. M. Morlell, Mrs. Mulhern, Mr. T. J. Murphy, Miss Peart O'Brien, Mrs. Byrne, Mr. M. O'Connell, Mrs. O'Connor, Miss C. O'Connor, Mr. E. O'Duffy, Mrs. A. O'Rahilly, Miss Owens, Miss P. Plunkett, Captain Pratt.

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Evening Wear.—White Waistcoats from 10/6 to 27/6. Shirts, Ties and Collars, at Kennedy and McSharry's. —(Advt.)

MESSRS. LEE'S STAFF

The annual staff dance of Messrs. Lee and Co., Ltd., which took place last night in the Metropole Ballroom, Dublin, proved to be a very enjoyable function. More than 400 guests were present, and raffles and spot dances contributed to the success of the evening.

The dance music was supplied by the Metropole Band.

The committee included—Mr. T. Clancy (chairman), Miss N. O'Sullivan (hon. secretary), Mr. J. Smyth (treasurer), Mr. V. McHugh (M.C.), the Misses A. Reid, T. Hargadon, J. Quinn, E. Furlong, E. Fehily, E. Birmingham, E. Kelly, K. Doyle, M. Somers, K. Farrell, P. Lyons, E. Belton, and Messrs. E. Dineen, J. Sutton, and C. Walsh.

Among those present were—Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Lee, Captain and Mrs. A. T. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. W. Poley, Mr. and Mrs. T. Hennessy, Mr. and Mrs. J. Barron, Mr. and Mrs. Lovegrove, Miss J. Jones and Mr. Hopkins, Mr. and Mrs. Gruber, the Misses T. Hargadon, Alice Reid, M. Fallon, P. O'Connor, F. Reid, S. Verschoyle, and N. O'Sullivan; Messrs. Sean Collins, C. Murphy, James Reid, J. Lenehan, P. Shelley, E. Norton, Mr. and Mrs. J. Reid, Mr. T. Mangan and Miss M. Rogers, the Misses E. Fehily, A. Lawlor, J. Quinn, E. Furlong, L. Kirby, K. Murray, A. Kennedy, — McGivern, B O'Donnell, M. Byrne, E. Day.

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Mr. T. Kavanagh, the Misses M. Coogan, N. Cunningham, E. Sutton, P. Keogh, F. Hall, M. Geraghty, Dignan, and Doherty; Messrs. A. Rich, H. Geraghty, H. Dorman, Hewitts; D. Nolan, Mr. Molesady, Miss K. Whelan, Mr. P. Lawler, the Misses E. Belton, P. Lyons, M. Somers, K. Farrell, P. D'Arcy, and T. Carragher; Messrs. V. McHugh, J. Smyth, G. Walsh, and P. Power.

IRISH PROFESSIONALS ON

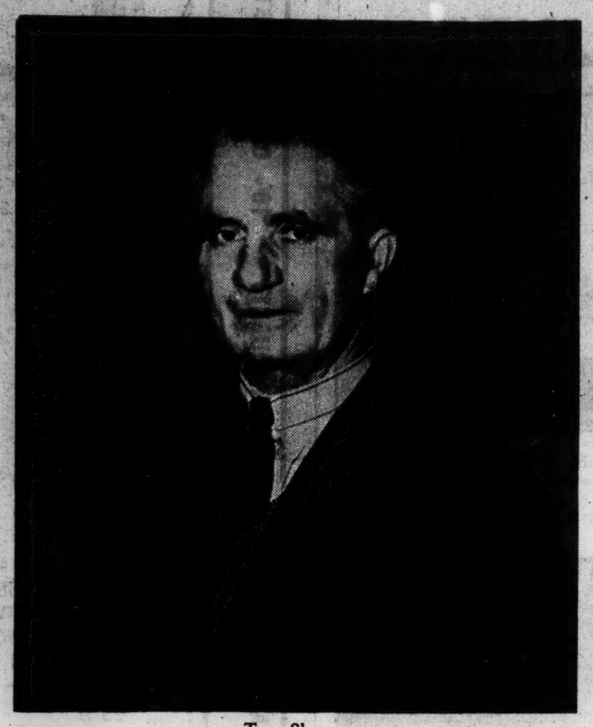
How To Play Golf

I.—First Principles

By Tom Shannon (in an interview with J. P. Rooney)

ONE of the pleasures of life is teaching the young to do the right thing at the right time. Tom Shannon, the professional at Milltown, has had his full share of such pleasures. For thirty-six years he has been continuously engaged in teaching the young the rudiments of golf and assisting the expert to overcome those tantalising lapses from which few, even plusmen, are immune. He loves to spend hours on end with beginners at Milltown, as he did at Portmarnock, Dun Laoghaire, Hermitage and the other clubs to which he was attached.

Shannon likes to get them young. Most of the great golfers of America started young, and, as it takes at least six years to attain proficiency, and a few more to become first-class players, his contention is that the young man or woman whose ambitions lean towards the big things in golf cannot make a start too soon.



Tom Shannon.

IMPORTANCE OF PRACTICE.

Like all professionals, he stresses the vital importance of practice. He does not think that the standard of golf played in Dublin and the other important centres of the game in this country is anything like as high as it should be, having regard to the facilities at the disposal of our players—the modern steel-shafted clubs, vastly improved courses, and modern transport.

For that he blames the players themselves—their pronounced apathy towards that great essential, practice. If they devoted a little more time to it when they go off their game, as so frequently happens to beginners, we should see a vast improvement in the standard of golf. Lack of practice retards progress. Dr. Maurice O'Brien he cites as an object lesson for young players. When the young doctor went to Milltown three years ago he had a handicap of 18; but, by dint of hard work, in two years he played himself down to 1.

Grip and Stance

Two other essentials are often overlooked by the novice, particularly by ladies—the Grip and the Stance. You see potentially good players in the early stages of their novitiate gripping the club as they would the rope for tug-of-war, with both hands well under the shaft of the club, and standing in the address in the most awkward of attitudes, with the result that their keenness and enthusiasm go for practically nothing. The orthodox grip and stance they consider too much of a hindrance. It is only when, as occasionally occurs, they realise their inability to swing or hit the ball correctly and far, and resolve to follow the advice of the professional, that they experience for the first time the charms and the fascination of golf.

Natural aptitude plays a most important rôle in the advancement of the beginner. The amount of instruction necessary to gain a working knowledge of the game depends, not on the efforts of the professional, but on the aptitude of the pupil. Shannon has known players possessed of that aptitude to pick up quite a good knowledge of the game after a few lessons, but in the majority of instances finds that it takes at least a dozen to get even a good average pupil into shape.

Another tendency to which the beginner is too prone is the notion that he must start out with a bag full of clubs. Most newcomers to the game arm themselves with too many; five to start with is usually sufficient—the brassey for driving and through the green; the No. 3, No. 6, niblick and putter. They are necessary. The importance of lie, weight and length of shaft is all too frequently overlooked by those who purchase clubs indiscriminately and with no experience but their own to guide them in the vital matter of selection.

A Drawback

One of the greatest drawbacks that the novice has to fight against is self-consciousness, which is an outstanding defect in the "make up" of a number of beginners. It causes stiffness and slackness, and is brought on by over-concentration.

Every player, young and not so young, should aim at a good style, which is a very considerable asset—such a style as John Burke's, for instance. It delights even experienced golfers, as did that of Harry Vardon—the greatest stylist golf has produced—even when he was an elderly man and had retired from the championships.

It will come as a surprise to many that Shannon regards the driver as the most difficult of all the clubs, and the mashie pitch the easiest of all the strokes. With the driver we try to combine length with accuracy, and very few attain that. Personally I always considered the mashie pitch a delicate stroke—a real stroke-saver—diligent practice with which brings its reward; but I never thought it was the easiest shot in the game. However, Tom Shannon ought to know.

Next Week—Paddy Mahon on Driving.

Training Gossip

Jumpers Worth Watching

By Our Curragh Correspondent.

TRAINERS' troubles are not over, though it was hoped in the middle of last week that they had, for the time being, got safely over their worst experiences. At the moment of despatch there is no immediate atmospheric change apparent, and the work over the week-end, in preparation for the Mullingar Meeting next Saturday, was nearly devoid of anything of an impressive or informative character.

Beary's hurdlers are all in good heart, and Queer Spes ran again well enough to merit note for an early engagement. Poet's Bliss is another of the Mountjoy string worth bearing in mind. Captain D. Rogers, whose horses from Crotanstown are now temporarily located at Athgarvan, is slowly, but surely, making jumpers out of those useful flat race performers, Wyelands, Gloucester, Manor Flat, Kingston Gorse, and the recently imported Caledonian. Well schooled, as they will be, these horses should not be long about winning under the jumping rules.

Mr. J. J. Parkinson has, as usual, a very strong team of jumpers in the Maddenstown Lodge stables, both hurdlers and 'chasers. Peter's Well and Grant have many fine performances to their credit, and should add to these in the immediate future. Allanwood and Durbar have also further races in them, while Clonbern, Released, Honor's Choice and Romaning are decidedly on the up-grade. Spirit Level is a useful 'chaser over any type of course.

Mr. Wellesley's jumpers at Osborne Lodge include Vides, Ladylove, Control and Cronje, and they are all capable of winning valuable races over the minor obstacles. Ladylove has already displayed perfect agility at the business, and scored in taking fashion over the Leopardstown course.

R. Fetherstonhaugh's 'chasers and hurdlers are naturally numerous, and when the going is to their liking the majority of them will be difficult to beat. Point d'Atout in some of his recent spins showed most promising form. I referred yesterday to Mr. H. M. Hartigan's charges, Citadel and Bel et Bon, as well as Harland. They are being kept admirably on the move, and I do not doubt that all three will repay for following.

I suppose that every horse in C. Brabazon's stable jumps, no matter at what age. That is the impression one gets from seeing the Ranger's Lodge trainer and his team in action. At any rate, Kildonan's Hope, Jack Chaucer, Ballyhooley, Drochat-Atha, St. Martin and the rest will, it is fairly evident now, be strong factors in assisting the trainer to top the winning list for the second year in succession, or to get within striking distance of that coveted position.

Miss Paget's Horses Go To Crotanstown

By Our Curragh Correspondent.

YESTERDAY (Tuesday) the three-year-olds from the Brownstown stables were transferred to the Crotanstown stables, which Mr. Charles Rogers recently leased on behalf of Miss Paget. These, as well as the two-year-olds from Balfestown, will be again under the careful executive charge of Mr. Tommy Nugent, the well-known amateur rider. All his horses are in the pink of condition, and Summerville is specially deserving of notice. This fine big colt holds classic engagements, and he is certainly wintering remarkably well. The son of Knight of the Garter—June Belle ran prominently early in the year even on the hard ground, and then he beat the champion filly, Enchantress, by a neck at a difference of 10lb.

The fillies, Columbia and Rosella, are also doing well, and Mikado appears to be a really good horse in the making. British United won the Nursery Plate at the Curragh June meeting, and Link Boy's son has since furnished out well. Somerset is another big horse who will go on improving. Indeed, all the three-year-olds are capable of big things, and should certainly win more races in their second season.

The new youngsters may be backward, and will, doubtless, require any amount of time. But I do not think that either their actual trainer or Mr. Charlie Rogers himself believe in hurrying their charges.

HORSES IN TRAINING

THREE-YEAR-OLDS.

COLUMBIA, br. f., by Colombo—Islay II.
BANNERMAN, b. c., by Cameronian—It's a Girl.
MARTIN GRIFFIN, b. c., by Cameronian—Mara.
DESERT CORPS, b. c., by Easton—Olifa.
FAIR GREEN, br. f., by Fairway—Heartsease.
MISS OSWAY, br. f., by Felstead—Osway.
MASTERSHIP, ch. c., by Furrokh—Miss Dulcie.
MARITA, br. f., by King Salmon—Egeria.
ROSELLA, b. f., by King Salmon—Mark Time.
SUMMERVILLE, br. c., by Knight of the Garter—June Belle.
MISS ALBANY, ch. f., by Knight of the Garter—Miss Finlay.
BRITISH UNITED, b. c., by Link Boy—Pippin.
ANDERSON, br. c., by Noble Star—Celiba.
COMMISSIONER, b. c., by Noble Star—Deva.
LADY AMOYA, b. f., by Orpen—Amoya.
SALECRAFT, b. f., by Orpen—Good Deal.
SOMERSET, b. c., by Orpen—Temple Flower.
SUNGLARE, b. f., by Trimdon—Taquinette.
MIKADO, b. c., by Truculent—Donshka.
VIENNESE, br. f., by Truculent—Easter Bonnet.

TWO-YEAR-OLDS.

The two-year-olds, as follows, recently arrived from England, are to be trained for their engagements from the Crotanstown stables:—

Br. c. by Windsor Lad—Osway.
Br. c. by Orpen—Islay II.
B. c. by Sandwich—Banniaw.
B. c. by Rhodes Scholar—Miss Elegance.
Ch. c. by Orpen—Easter Bonnet.
Br. c. by Easton—Amoya.
Br. c. by Solario—Mark Time.
B. f. by King Salmon—Charwoman.
B. c. by Precipitation—Ladx Maderty.
B. c. by Bahram—Dorigen.
Br. c. by Pay Up—Good Deal.
B. f. by King Salmon—My Pet.
B. f. by Easton—Caught Napping.
B. f. by King Salmon—Twelve Bells.
Br. c. by Windsor Lad—Crison.
B. f. by Shell Transport—Highlight.
Br. f. by Solano—Fairyland.

Glendalough

Here St. Kevin founded an Abbey in the 6th century around which grew a city, the headquarters of the O'Tooles and the seat of a great diocese.

To-day the only trace of the ancient city remaining is the Round Tower standing in isolated grandeur and the scattered ruins of the Seven Churches.

Although it never recovered from the disastrous fire which destroyed it in 1398 the name Glendalough will never be eradicated from the Irish mind, for it symbolises everything that is great and noble in Ireland's history, even as the name "Power" signifies that supreme quality that appeals to every judge of Irish Whiskey at its best.

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TICKETS at 1/-, 1/6, 2/-, 2/6, 3/-, 4/6, Every's, Healy's, and Stadium.

*Ticket holders for the North City Tournament to have been held on January 3rd can have the tickets exchanged at the place where they were purchased or at the Stadium, if exchanged before Friday.

Table Tennis

Strong Ulster Team

By P. D. McWEENEY.

AS a general rule the standard of table tennis has been higher in Leinster than in the North of Ireland. For several years there were two separate associations here, the Irish Free State and Northern Ireland, and the Free State held the advantage in the matches played between them, and since the whole country has come together to form the one body Leinster have beaten Ulster in the two matches played so far between the two provinces, in 1937-38 and 1938-39. There was no match last year, so the revival at the O'Connell Hall on Saturday week is welcome, as well as having an additional appeal, since the gate receipts are to go to the Irish Red Cross.

The present Irish champion, J. Goldstone, is from Belfast. He was fortunate in the fact that our number one player, C. A. Kemp, was unable to turn out last season in this event, but it is to Goldstone's credit that he seized his chance and showed his best form in the later stages of the competition, in the final of which he defeated the youthful H. C. Wine, who will be figuring on the Leinster team on this occasion. Unfortunately for Ulster, Goldstone is in England at present, and his absence will weaken the visitors somewhat.

The captain, J. McKimm, has played in almost all the representative matches for a number of years past, and he will provide an interesting contrast to the Leinster men, as he employs the "penholder" grip, which is practically an anachronism in the top class nowadays. McKimm, however, is very difficult to beat, for he has to a large extent conquered the weakness of his particular style by his skill in playing the shot to his backhand corner across the table to his opponent's backhand. He hits it in a most unorthodox way, and it wins him many a point.

The second string, D. L. Hennessey, is well-known in Dublin, where he was one of the leading players before going to Belfast some four years ago. He represented the Irish Free State in the world charmpionships in London in 1935 with G. Hussey, C. J. S. Bonynge, E. Smith and C. A. Kemp. He is a good all-rounder, combining both attack and defence, but he is inclined to disappoint on the big occasion.

The third string among the men, H. Cavan, has plenty of experience in these matches, and, like McKinn, was a "penholder," but three years ago he changed over to the open style and showed remarkable improvement. He is stronger in defence than attack, and will take a lot of beating. The fourth man, J. Boyd, is a young player, who got his first in the last encounter, 1938-39. He is mainly an attacker, and inclined to be erratic, but he showed definite possibilities on his previous appearance.

As is the case on the Leinster team, there is a difference in standard between the two women players. Miss G. Boyle is much the best of her sex in the North for a number of years past, and has had some wins to her credit over Miss T. Whelan, to whom she is generally regarded as second in the country. Like Cavan, she changed from the "penholder" to the open grip to the improvement of her game in general, and she is an extremely clever player, relying more on placements than hard hitting. Miss Johnstone has represented Ulster once before, and while not as good all-round as Miss Boyle, should be capable of holding her own well. This Ulster team may give a very good account of itself.

If not played at quite the same pace, McWeeney and Kinnear had a very interesting contest, in which the home player was able to put in the stronger finish. Kinnear came from behind, to capture the first game, and by covering the court at great speed he took the fourth, to make it two all, but he had been made to do more of the running. After leading 2-0 in the fifth, he lost the next eight points, McWeeney striking a patch of accurate serving.

Law did some splendid retrieving against Kemp in the first game, and deservedly won it, but he had not much chance in the next three, the home player varying his length cleverly and disguising his drop shot well. McCormick led Good by 5-1 in the first game and 4-0 in the third, but on neither occasion could he press home his advantage, and in the fifth match Towers had too wide a range of shots for Sides, but in both these matches the rallies were closely contested and the winner had to work for his points. Results:—

W. A. Sandys beat W. P. Roper—3-9, 9-7, 9-3, 4-9, 9-4.
P. D. McWeeney beat N. A. Kinnear—7-9, 9-2, 9-5, 3-9, 5-3.
C. A. Kemp beat S. E. Law—7-9, 9-2, 9-3, 9-3.
N. D. Good beat F. B. McCormick—9-7, 9-2, 9-7.
B. R. Towers beat J. H. Sides—9-3, 9-1, 9-4.

Squash Rackets

GRAY CUP FOR FITZWILLIAM

By Our Special Correspondent.

Although they failed to win a match, University Club almost stole the honours of the Gray Cup final, the Dublin inter-club championship, from Fitzwilliam on the latter's court last evening. On a comparison of league handicaps, Fitzwilliam appeared to hold an overwhelming advantage, but both the first and second matches went the full distance of five games; the third took four, and even though the fourth and fifth were decided in straight games, F. B. McCormick put up a gallant fight against N. D. Good. Fitzwilliam have held this trophy since its inauguration six years ago, but they have never previously had to fight so hard in the final.

The first strings had the closest battle of the five, and there were two periods when Roper seemed to have a definite chance of success. His touch was much more accurate than that of his opponent at the start, and he took the first game quickly. Sandys went right away in the second to 7-1 and 8-2, hitting his side-wall shots to a length for the first time; but Roper then had a run of five to make it 7-8, and he missed a favourable opportunity of levelling at 8-all.

That slip meant the loss of the game, and Sandys was always on top in the next; but, by keeping a much deeper length, Roper made it two games all. He won the first point of the fifth, and at 4-all they changed hands at least half a dozen times, but finally it was the Fitzwilliam man who went in front, and he took five in a row for the match. Roper made the mistake of trying for too many ambitious angle shots at critical moments.

Four of the Fitzwilliam team, who defeated University Club in the Gray Cup squash rackets final at Fitzwilliam yesterday. Left to right: N. D. Good, W. A. Sandys, P. D. McWeeney, B. R. Towers.

Gaelic Games

Many Changes in Ulster's Cup Team

(By PAT'O.)

DOWN'S rapid progress in Gaelic football is reflected in the week-end Ulster selection. For the first time, the Newry-Newcastle group are represented—J. McClory comes on at left full-back, with M. Lynch as full-forward. Both were prominent in the recent League games that won Section "D" for Down, with full points from four games.

Lynch is a brainy and thrustful pivot, and should combine well with Vincent Duffy (U.C.D. and Monaghan), and, another new arrival, P. Conaty, Cavan's left corner man.

There are maturity and experience in Ulster's forty line — Dan Morgan of Cavan, Alex Murray of Armagh, and Paddy Smith of Cavan. All three have figured prominently in Railway Cup struggles. Dan Morgan is the veteran of the bunch. He has been on and off Northern selections for years.

Paddy Smith is a versatile footballer, of powerful physique. He shone at half-back and centre field three years back, but he has plenty of pace for wing work.

Colourful Forward

Alex Murray is the most colourful of the Northern forwards. In last month's Sigerson Cup games at Belfield Park the Armagh man almost beat U.C.D. on his own account, scoring six points in the first half. He will be a menace to Leinster's defence in the approaching semi-finals.

Jim McCullagh, of Armagh, has played centre field for Down and Louth. His profession of electrical engineer takes him to many counties, but he has now settled down in his native Armagh. McCullagh's partner at centre field is a lusty Tyrone man—P. Campbell—who played himself on to the provincial team in recent League struggles.

Ulster's defence lines show youth and enterprise. Older players, like Tom O'Reilly and Vincent White of Cavan, and J. Crawley of Monaghan, have been dropped in favour of younger players.

Powerful Last Line

A. Lynn, of U.C.D., has been called back to keep goal. The Monaghan keeper was at his best in the inter-Varsity games, and his re-entry was certain. McMahon and McLoughlin of Armagh were obvious selections, and McClory, of Down, makes the third in a powerful last line.

There were half a dozen probables for the half-back line. John Joe Reilly of Cavan stands out on his own as centre-back, and his duels with young McDermott of Meath may be the high-lights of the Breffni Park game.

George Smith has been shining for Cavan as right half, and he will fill the post with credit whatever the pace. Ulster's left half post has been assigned to a newcomer, J. Gallagher of Donegal, who has more than a Tirconnell reputation. What the Gweedore man lacks in experience he makes up in dash and speed.

All round this is a fine side, carrying the full confidence of Ulster Gaels, who will gather in strength for their test with Leinster on February 9th at Cavan.

Conventions

County Conventions are busy at the moment, and a big proportion will be held next week-end. Mr. P. Duffy, Louth's veteran secretary, has submitted a very thorough report of activities during the year. The convention, to be held at Drogheda on Sunday next, has 23 motions to consider; all deal with local administration.

There are 60 regular teams in Louth, and a new drive is promised in 1941 to revive interest in the native codes at Drogheda and Dundalk. Expenditure during the year exceeded income by £104, but the coming league game (replay) against Dublin is expected to balance the matter.

Louth is very strong in minor football, and it is hoped to keep the All-Ireland minor champions in the game by the inducement of local competition.

Roscommon's annual convention was presided over by Mr. D. O'Rourke, T.D. (chairman), who warned players that in future they must hike or bike, as in years gone by, when no motors were available. It was on sacrifice that G.A.A. progress was built. The games were flourishing in Roscommon.

East Cork's chairman made a plea for greater attention to rural clubs. Too much attention, he said, was being paid to the star players at the expense of smaller fry, who were the backbone of the Association.

Football Resumption

Football League games are resumed on Sunday week, and it is hoped to reach the inter-division stage early in February. Louth-Dublin in the East, Mayo-Roscommon in the West, should have decisive results. Down have already qualified.

The Southern division (7 counties) have still two rounds to play, with Kerry and Galway holding the strongest hand. More than usual interest is centred in the Munster-Connaught Railway Cup semi-final, fixed for Killarney on February 9th.

Association Football

LONGFORD TOWN'S CUP-TIE HOPES

FROM A LONGFORD CORRESPONDENT.

APART from Evergreen (Cork), who have been drawn against Cork United, Longford Town are the only intermediate club that will have the distinction of entertaining a League of Ireland team at their home ground in the first round of the F.A.I. Cup. They are to meet Shelbourne on 9th February, and the visitors are promised a keen game.

Shelbourne intend running a special train on the occasion and football enthusiasts of the Midlands are not likely to miss the opportunity of witnessing a League of Ireland club in action. They know, too, from past experience that Longford Town are capable of putting up a great fight against their higher-graded opponents and that it will not be a one-sided contest by any means.

This will be Longford's seventh appearance against a club in the premier League and their third venture in the big Cup. In 1936-37 they reached the semi-final by defeating Evergreen (Cork) and Drumcondra in the first and second rounds, but in the semi-final, at Dalymount Park, Longford were beaten by Waterford, who were ultimate winners that year.

Longford's next encounter with a big club was Bray Unknowns, who, when leading the League of Ireland Shield, were beaten 2-0 by Longford in the Leinster Senior Cup. The "Town" then met Drumcondra in the semi-final at Dalymount Park and the result was a 2-2 draw. The replay at Shelbourne Park was won by Drumcondra.

Last season Longford Town got a vacancy in the F.A. Cup and were drawn away to Waterford. In the first few minutes a Longford player, unfortunately, sustained a fractured leg, and, battling with ten players for the remainder of the game, they put up a splendid fight and were beaten by 3 goals to 1.

Experienced Players

This year Longford have some experienced players on their team, including Jim Blake (centre-half), formerly of Shamrock Rovers, and Denis Dempsey (centre-forward), who has also assisted Bray Unknowns and Limerick. For the past two seasons they have had a very capable goalkeeper in Paddy Flood, well known to Dublin followers. Other Dublin players assisting the Midlanders are Curley (left-half) and Grimes (inside-right). With a few stalwarts from Sligo—McManus, Kilfeather, Burnsides and Smyth—and good locals, including the famous Clarke brothers, Longford's team to play Shelbourne is one of great promise.

Five of the team are at present serving with the Defence Forces. They are:—Paddy Clarke, Jack Hayden, Kilfeather, McManus and Burnsides.

Longford Park, the venue of the match, is one of the finest provincial grounds in this country. There is accommodation for thousands to view the game in comfort. The covered stand is an excellent vantage point. There are up-to-date dressing-rooms and other amenities. The playing pitch itself is excellent.

WATERFORD PLAYER SUSPENDED

Harlery, right-back of Waterford A.F.C., has been suspended by his club. According to our Waterford correspondent, Harlery refused to pay a fine of one pound imposed by the Waterford Committee, and they suspended him until April 30th next.

The fine was decided upon owing to Harlery having attended a dance in Waterford on New Year's night, contrary to a club rule, which forbids players attending dances after Tuesday night of each week on the advice of the trainer, who is of opinion that dancing is not an advantage to footballers.

Harlery states that he intends appealing to the League of Ireland Council. His place against Shamrock Rovers on Sunday next will be taken by Wall, a local junior. Daly, the goalkeeper, and O'Driscoll, outside right, were also fined a pound for attending the same dance, but appealed to the local committee to have the fine reduced. The club's decision, according to their request, was communicated to them yesterday afternoon.

NO ACTION—"WITH REGRET"

The Junior Emergency Committee of the F.A.I. last night decided, "with regret," that no action could be taken in a complaint of the Wicklow Town A.F.C. against a referee. The complaint was in regard to a disputed goal, and the referee, in his report, did not alter his decision made on the field of play. The committee held that the referee's decision in the matter was final.

A letter was read from the Scottish Junior League stating that the prospects of travelling were good for the Scottish v. Irish Junior match at Dalymount on Easter Monday.

St. Kevins, Cork, were given permission to postpone their 5th round Junior Cup tie till February 2nd, if their opponents, Wanderers, Limerick, agreed.

The making of the draw for the 4th round of the Minor Cup was deferred.

Women's Hockey

MUNSTER TEAMS FOR DUBLIN

The following are the Munster teams for the interprovincial matches against Leinster in Dublin on Saturday next:—

MUNSTER XI.

Goal—Miss N. Hayes (Cork).
Full-backs—Misses H. Cagney (Cork), N. Daly (Old Ursulines).
Half-Backs—Misses M. Barry (Cork), A. Moore (Ashton), U. O'Leary (Ashton).
Forwards—Misses D. Cagney (Cork), P. Barrett (Ashton), C. Humphreys (Ashton), J. Burns (Old Rochelle), K. O'Farrell (Ashton).

THE REST OF MUNSTER XI.

Goal—Miss K. Hanan (Ashton).
Full-backs—Mrs. Murphy (Ashton), Miss M. Foley (Cork).
Half-backs—Misses P. O'Farrell (Ashton), P. O'Flynn (Ashton), R. Healy (Old Ursulines).
Forwards—Misses K. O'Kelly (Civil Service), B. Burns (Old Rochelle), B. Murphy (Cork), Mrs. Hardwick (Ashton), Miss S. Loane (Cork).

Senior Trial

THE chief item of interest in Women's Hockey circles in Leinster last Saturday was the Senior Interprovincial Trial, at Serpentine avenue. Whilst it cannot be said that any one player gave an outstanding performance, play generally was of a higher standard than is usually seen in matches of this nature.

There was little to choose between the opposing "goalies." Miss McLoone showed the better judgment in advancing to intercept attacks and appeared to be the more experienced defender, but Miss Hammond brought off some splendid clearances in the concluding period of the game.

The full-back positions should not have presented much difficulty. Throughout the entire seventy minutes' play Misses Harding and Conroy worked excellently together, and, individually, were superior all round to the opposing pair, whose chief fault was lack of speed in recovery. The half line selected for next Saturday's game is the same as has done so well for Leinster in previous seasons. The Selectors have announced that Mrs. Harriman will replace Miss McCourt for the return match in Cork next month.

Miss B. White is the only newcomer to interprovincial hockey in the forward line, and, if she shows anything like the form she has displayed in club games this season she should make a most successful debut in the representative game.

The team selected to represent the Rest of Leinster is mainly composed of last Saturday's "B team," the only exception being at full-back, where the Maids' pair, Miss Wheeler and Mrs. McWeeney, replace Misses Dolan and Guinan.

Optimists defeated Pembroke Wanderers 2nd in their postponed League fixture at Templeogue, scoring three goals to Wanderers' one. Misses Allen (2) and Dudley scored for the winners, and Miss Healy for Wanderers.

The only other Senior League game of the day was that between Shielmartin and Monkstown, at Templeogue, Shielmartin winning by 5 goals to 4. Misses Foley (2), Barnwell, Fitzpatrick and Mrs. McHale got goals for Shielmartin and Misses Keogh (2), Craigie and Spicer for Monkstown.

In the Intermediate Badges semi-finals, Maids 2nd defeated Loreto 2nd by two goals to nil, and Muckross 4th put up an excellent performance in beating Newcomes 2nd by 3 goals to 3.

The Middle Badges semi-finals were also decided on Saturday. Maids 3rd and School of Massage qualifying for the final round.

THE CHILIAN CUP

(INTER-UNIVERSITY)

First round—Friday, January 17:—
(A)—U.C.D. v. Dublin University, Belfield, 3.15.
(B)—U.C.C. v. Queen's, Trinity Hall, 3.15.
Final—Saturday, January 18, 11.30 a.m.:—Winner of A v. winner of B.

TEAM.

U.C.D.—T. McCann; M. Kennedy, B. Gibbons; M. O'Brien, M. Murphy, F. Meagher; M. Monilhan, C. S. Johnson, H. Doyle, W. McHale, C. Hillary.

TRIM COURSING RESULTS

Judge—Mr. P. Watters. Slipper—M. Horan.

CHAMPION OPEN QUALIFYING STAKE (8 dog puppies)—Deel Rock beat Some Prospects; Another Lowestown beat Secret; Staffordstown beat Fat In The Fire; Wee Bouncer a bye.

Second Round—Deel Rock beat Another Lowestown; Staffordstown beat Wee Bouncer.

Decider—Mr. M. Ward's Deel Rock (Ocean's Monarch—Betty's Hero) beat Miss M. Duffy's Staffordstown (Cameronian—Playful Kitty).

CHAMPION OPEN QUALIFYING STAKE (8 bitch puppies)—Dasher Ivy beat Too Modest; Gaulstown Lady a bye, Little Wood absent; Little Twinkle beat Sensee; March Faster beat Jack's Girl.

Second Round—Dasher Ivy beat Gaulstown Luck; March Faster beat Little Twinkle.

Decider—Mr. W. Irwin's Dasher Ivy (Dasher Lad—Keep Digging) beat Mr. P. Clarke's March Faster (Sandiway—Long Ambition).

TRIM STAKES (3 two-course all-ages)—Wise Keeping beat Prudent Hobbs; Go Like Blazes beat Rash; Lady Crosser a bye, One For The Road absent; Lishencorn beat Juicy Grape.

Second Round—Go Like Blazes beat Wise Keeping; Lishencorn beat Lady Crosser.

Decider—Miss A. B. Malone's Go Like Blazes (Dasher Lad—Rye Ruby) beat Mr. J. Campbell's Lishencorn (Lacky Bar—Lishencorn Maid).

ROSCOMMON DECIDERS

TRIAL STAKES, for 11 dog puppies—Mr. P. Hoctor's Shy Dasher (Dasher Lad—Sheevra More) beat Messrs. Flanagan and Monahan's The Tout (Church Parade—Burnbrook).

BALLYBOHAN STAKES, for 8 bitch puppies—Mr. J. P. Dolan's Black Stitch (Hidden Lawyer—Plain Stitch) beat Mr. P. J. Leddy's Mulsboro' Lassie (Church Parade—Burnbrook).

BARRY CUP STAKES, for 8 all ages—Mr. W. Egan's Trembling Laddie (Model Moon—Trembling Girl) beat Mr. J. P. Dolan's After The Ball (Ballina Laddie—Girl Ball).

CAROWN STAKES—Mr. P. J. Leddy's Mulsboro' Beauty (Hidden Lawyer—Antrim Beauty) beat Mr. W. Connell's Carrigan Parade (Church Parade—Queen of Marlow).

BALLYBRUSK STAKES — Mr. M. Moran's Lawyer's Speed (Hidden Lawyer—Carnlurly Lass) beat Mr. T. Killoran's Lusitania (Inler—Mauretania).

THE PATLAND CUP

From Our Motoring Correspondent.

The passage of time is indicated by the fact that the Patland Cup trial of 25th January is to be the twentieth of the series. From the year it became an open event, the Patland Cup has been the most searching sporting trial of the season and, since 1927 or 1928, it has been recognised as such all over the country.

At times it has, perhaps, been rather too "sporting," so that people, without any malicious intent, were developing the bad habit of speaking of it as a "scramble." There is a subtle distinction between a sporting trial and a "scramble," and it would be contrary to the traditions of the Patland if it developed from the one into the other.

This year's event will start from the "Lamb" Doyle's Inn, Ticknock, at 2.30 p.m., and it will be run over four laps of a circuit of approximately 6½ miles. The first lap will not be observed, but in subsequent laps marks will be awarded according to the merit of the riding—10 marks for a clean passage, 7 for using only one foot, 4 marks if the rider "foot-slogs." There will, of course, be scores of observed sections in which it will be possible to gain marks. Marks may be lost for failing to maintain the scheduled speed of 15 m.p.h.

As usual, there is a variety of awards, including the Patland Cup, the club championship plaque, visitors, novice, runner-up, finishers' and team prizes, as well as first and second class awards on the 25 per cent. basis.

The visitors' award is the Tredagh Cup, which used to be the premier in one of the old Drogheda Club's trials. When the Drogheda Club went out of existence the Tredagh Cup was given to the Leinster Club, and in one season at least the Drogheda boys came to the Patland in an effort to win it. It was won once by Jack Healy of Cork, but for many years now it has been going to Belfast or cross-Channel competitors.

RUGBY SCORERS

Wanderers, with a 29-0 win over Palmerston on Saturday, completed their second century of points for the season, and they are second only to Blackrock in the Leinster clubs' ranking list at the moment. This place had been held by Clontarf, who have now suffered three successive defeats. Against Malone on Saturday Clontarf failed to score, for the first time this season, and Fred Moran, who had had at least one try per match in his previous thirteen outings for Clontarf, lost his hundred per cent. record.

A. B. Robertson, the Wanderers' captain, was responsible for nine of his side's points against Palmerston, and is now only one point behind E. A. Carry in the individual scorers' list. Carry has totalled 84 points, and Robertson 83. M. B. Williams, who is third in the list, being 20 points behind Carry. It should be a great race for the century between two of Leinster's leading outhalves. Robertson, incidentally, has dropped five goals, which is more than most clubs can claim.

TWO MUNSTER RUGBY CHANGES

Two changes are announced in the Munster Rugby XV. to meet Ulster in Belfast on Saturday next. Both changes are in the pack. P. Griffin (Army and Garryowen) has cried off, and his place as wing forward will be taken by D. B. O'Loughlin (Dolphin), who will move from the second row of the scrum, the berth he vacates going to M. Lillis (Constitution), who has also played for Munster this season. The other defection is that of Dr. Denis Riordan (U.C.C.), who is unable to travel. It has not yet been announced who will replace him.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES

High School v. Old Boys (colour match). Belgrave square, 3.30 o'clock.

TEAMS.

High School (Present)—H. R. Roberts; H. Adcock, R. Quinn, W. Potts, E. McColl; W. West, W. Rutherford; J. Moore, J. R. Greening, R. McChesney, A. Jones, E. Foster, R. Smith (capt.), H. Grice, B. Gardner.

High School (Old Boys)—T. Garran; H. Booker, D. Orr, W. Boyle, R. Beattie; G. Brewster, C. Martin; W. Taylor, B. Griffin, W. Kirkpatrick, J. Street, W. Shell, S. Walker, J. Nutts, B. Hennessy (capt.).

VETERAN GOLF WRITER DEAD

Mr. James McBain, the oldest golf journalist, died at his home in Ayr yesterday, aged 92. He reported the Amateur Championship at St. Andrew's in 1886, and for over twenty years afterwards attended nearly all the leading golf meetings. He was an original member of the Institute of Journalists.

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HUNTING APPOINTMENTS

TO-DAY.

Ward Union Hounds—Ratoath, 1.30 p.m.; Bray Harriers—Powerscourt Arms Calary, 1.30 p.m.; Strubane Harriers—Dungorman, 1 p.m.; Kilkenny Hounds—Floodhall, 11.30 a.m.; Island Hunt—Shrule, 11 a.m.; Naas Harriers—18 Mile Stone, 1 p.m.; Mount Loftus Harriers—Garryduff; Tipperary Hounds—Boscobel Cross, 11.30 a.m.; South Mayo Hounds—Roundforth, 12 noon; South Co. Dublin Harriers—Donnybrook Bridge, 2 p.m.; Duhallow Hounds—Lissavoura Bridge 11.30 a.m.

TO-MORROW.

Nenagh Harriers—Ballywilliam, 12.30 p.m.; Roscommon Harriers—Knockcroghery, 12.30 p.m.; Co. Boyle Harriers—Clooneybrien, 12.30 p.m.; Co. Galway Hunt—('The Blazers")—Oranmore, 12 noon; Tara Harriers—Hill of Tara, 12 noon; Wicklow Harriers—Kish Bridge, 12 noon; North Mayo Harriers—Ronniconlon; Ballymacad Hounds—Clonmellon, 12 noon; Bree Hounds—Claim, 11 a.m. (old time); North Kilkenny Hunt—Gathabawn, 12 noon; Kildare Hounds—Calverstown village, 11 a.m.; Limerick Harriers—Crecora, 12 noon.

HUNT CARDS

KILKENNY HOUNDS.—Change of Meet—Hounds will meet at Mullinavat West on Saturday, January 18th, instead of at Cloggs Mills, as previously advertised.

L.S.F. CROSS-COUNTRY RACE

Owing to the change in the administration of the L.S.F. (Group "A"), which has now become the L.D.F., the cross-country race fixed for the 26th inst. has been postponed pending a meeting of the Race Committee, to be held on Tuesday next at 15 South William street at 8 p.m.

HOCKEY UMPIRES' ASSOCIATION

A lecture on the duties of umpires, captains and players will be given on Friday, 17th inst., at 8 p.m., in Londonbridge road pavilion. All umpires and players are invited to attend.

GALTRIM CUP FIXTURES

(To-day, at 4 o'clock.)

Dalkey v. Three Rock Rovers. Londonbridge road. (Messrs. J. W. Peterson and J. Kellick.)

Pembroke Wanderers v. Railway Union. Serpentine avenue. (Messrs. A. G. Coates and P. Beegan.)

Dublin University v. Y.M.C.A. Londonbridge road. (Messrs. H. H. Peterson and P. O'Driscoll.)

TEAMS.

Three Rock Rovers—C. R. Cuffe; P. D. McWeeney, G. Kenneth; N. A. Kinnear, P. Tollemy, F. Alexander; G. L. Fullar, C. N. Dagg, W. Pilkington, C. Chamney, D. H. McNeill.

Dalkey—J. S. Prouse; G. H. Rothwell, S. S. Smalldridge; R. Jones, W. J. Thompson; A. O'Kelly, M. Cullen, R. Blair, B. Stokes, E. Haigh, H. Daly. Subs.—O. Darcy, D. Healy.

Y.M.C.A.—Dick Barrington; J. Olliffe, A. Hill; J. Wilkinson, C. Ralph, R. Downey; G. King, J. C. Williams (capt.), I. Jones, K. Downey, H. Whiteside.

GRAND NATIONAL AT CHELTENHAM?

The Press Association learns that it is possible the Grand National will be run at a special one-day meeting to be held at Cheltenham in April. Nothing has been officially decided yet.

GOLF CLUB NOTICES

CLONTARF.—To-day—Crawford Cup, strokes, 18 holes.

DUN LAOGHAIRE.—

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AUCTIONS.

PROPERTY SALE—ATTRACTIVE INVESTMENT.

NOS. 15, 17 & 18 HADDON ROAD, CLONTARF,

FRIDAY, JANUARY, 17, 1941, at 3 o'clock,

ON THE PREMISES OF NO. 15 (WHICH IS VACANT).

Held with No. 16 Haddon Road (which has been sold) under lease for a term of 250 years from 1898, subject, with the other premises, to the yearly rent of £15 7s. 6d.

LOT 1—No. 15 HADDON ROAD, CLONTARF, is vacant, and will be Sold subject to a yearly rent of £3 16s. 10d. Poor Law Valuation, £31. Clear possession will be handed to the purchaser. Inspection invited. Key at No. 17 Haddon Road.

LOT 2—No. 17 HADDON ROAD, CLONTARF, which will be Sold subject to a yearly rent of £3 16s. 11d., is sub-leased for a term of five years from the 20th December, 1939, at the yearly rent of £80, tenant paying rates. Poor Law Valuation, £31. Nett profit rent, £76 3s. 1d.

LOT 3—No. 18 HADDON ROAD, CLONTARF, is let under yearly tenancy at a yearly rent of £60, landlord paying rates; Poor Law Valuation, £31; and will be sold subject to a rent of £3 16s. 11d., this giving the purchaser a gross profit rent of £56 3s. 1d., less rates.

Further particulars from R. A. OSBORNE, Esq., Solicitor, Athy; or to

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Boys at present in preparatory colleges who fulfil the necessary conditions will be admitted to the training college in September next.

The only students to be admitted to the Church of Ireland Training College, Kildare place, Dublin, in 1941, will be those girls at present in Coláiste Moibhí (Preparatory College) who fulfil the prescribed conditions.

Released from prison camps in Germany, over 12,000 Belgian soldiers arrived by rail at Antwerp between January 8th and 12th, according to the German-controlled Brussels radio to-day.—(Press Association.)

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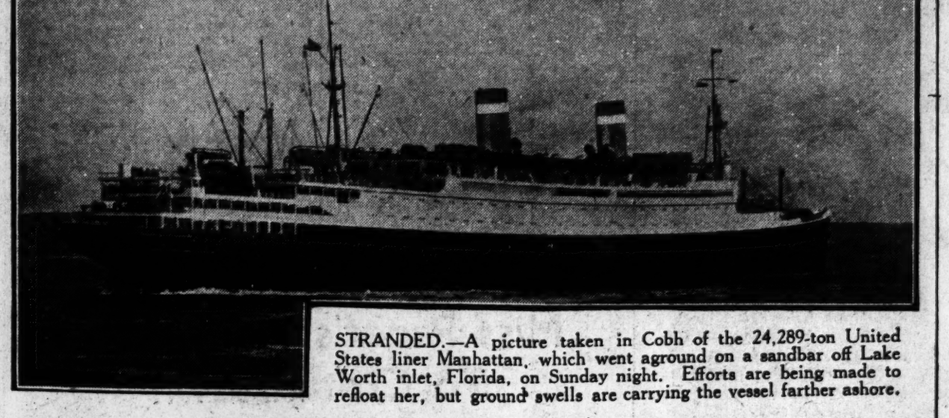

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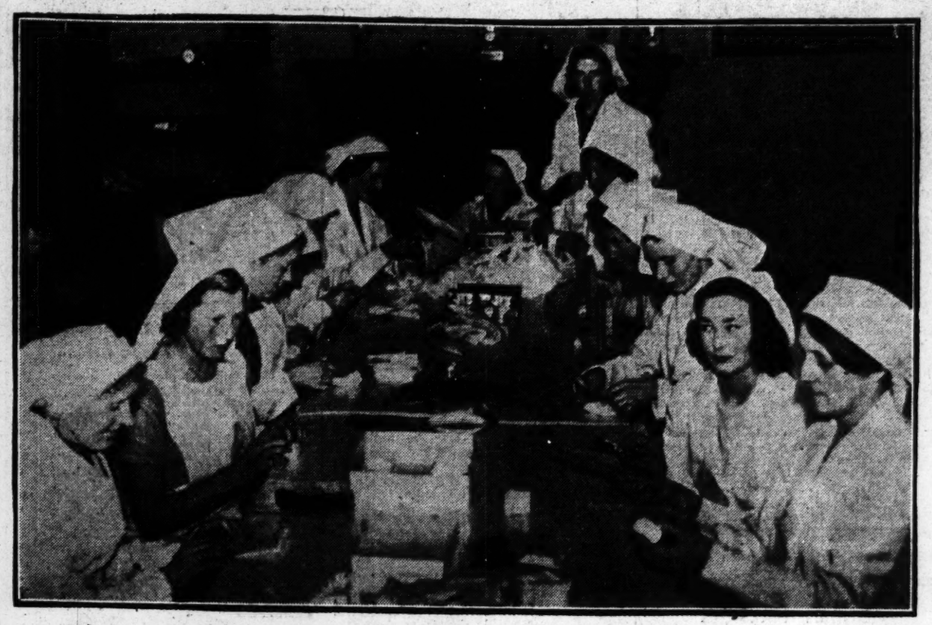

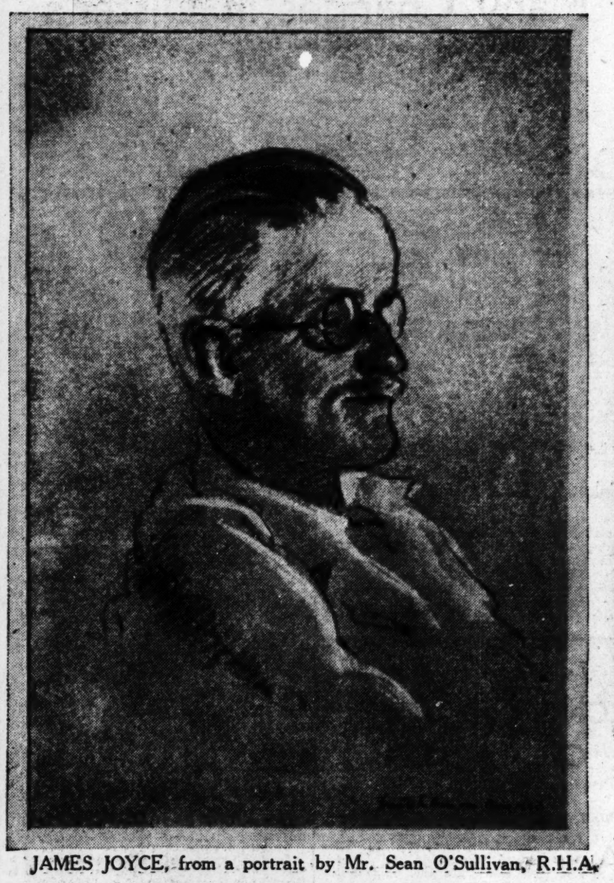

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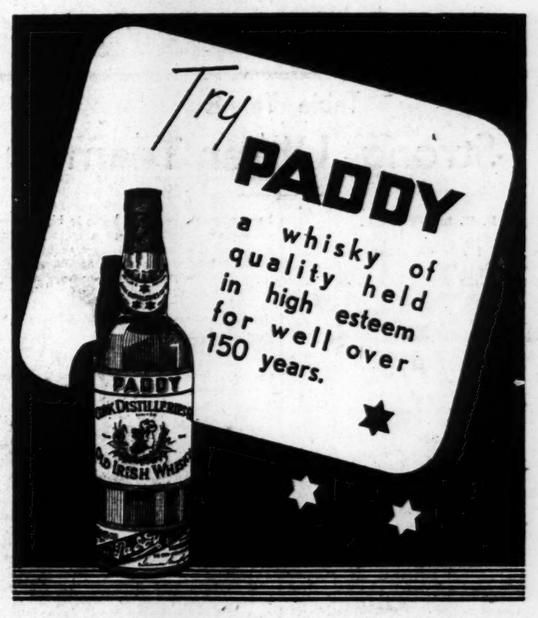
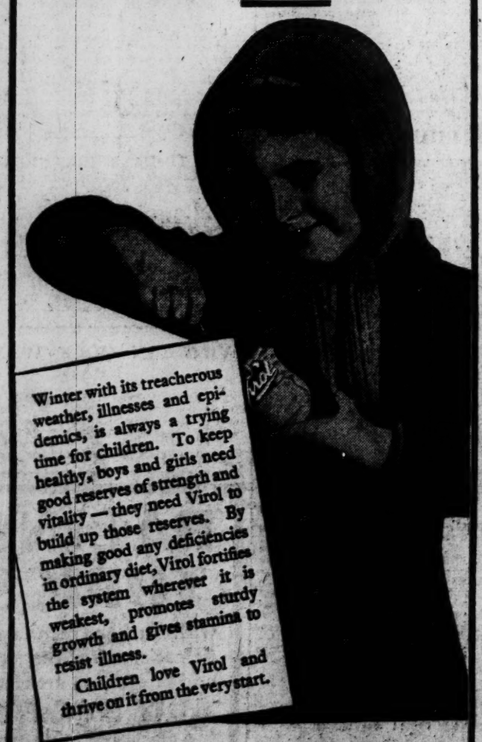


WINTER—THE FOE CHILDREN MUST FACE



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THE METHODIST CHURCH

MEETING OF STANDING COMMITTEE

THE Standing Committee of the Methodist Church in Ireland met in the Centenary Church, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, on the 10th instant, the President, the Rev. H. M. Watson, M.A., presiding. By a standing vote the Committee expressed its sense of the deep loss the Methodist Church in Ireland has sustained through the death of the Rev. John Oliver Park, B.A., D.D., and its sympathy with the members of his family. The Committee also expressed its sympathy with the Rev. Henry McConnell, of Holywood, in the death, after lengthy illness, of his wife, who was a member of the well-known Brittain family.

The Rev. John England presented the report of Home Mission affairs. It was agreed that a grant of £20 be given towards the cost of providing a bathroom and the introduction of electric light to the Manse at Ligoniel. Permission was given for the repair of the Manse at Ballintra, County Donegal, and also for certain necessary repairs in the Castlebar Manse. The quarterly meeting of the Bandon Circuit requested permission to provide additional accommodation for social work at Wesley Chapel, Bandon, a large part of the cost to be borne by the executors of the late Miss Lil Harte, as a tribute to her memory. The Committee readily gave the permission requested. Financial provision for the cost of supply on various Circuits rendered necessary by the illness of ministers was made.

In connection with the affairs of the Chapel Department, permission was given for outlay on the churches at Adare, Ayoca, Arklow, Athy and Athlone. The appointment of new Trustees for the Corlespratten Church, on the Killeshandra Circuit, was approved.

The Honorary Secretary, Mr. A. M. Fullerton, O.B.E., presented interim reports of various sectional committees, which were considered, and arrangements were made for the holding of similar committees at an early date. The Rev. W. H. Hayes presented the report of the Committee of the Visitation of Circuits, which was approved.

CHARLESTON ROAD CHURCH

Charleston Road Church, Dublin, chiefly owing to heavy expenditure on the trust property of the circuit, found itself closing the financial year with a debit balance of £240. In order to reduce this as much as possible, a Gift Day was arranged for last week, and at it the sum of £205 was contributed. This is all the more remarkable seeing that only a few weeks ago an almost similar amount was raised by the church at its annual missionary sale of work. On Sunday last a largely attended Thanksgiving Service was held in the church by the Rev. R. Lee Cole, M.A., B.D.

An important Overseas Missionary Propaganda Conference has just been held at Edgehill College, Belfast. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thompson acted as host and hostess. The secretaries of the conference were Miss Marjorie O. Thompson and Mr. F. Vivian Simpson. The principal speakers were the Revs. R. G. Livingstone, Wesley G. Lee, G. A. Joynt, M.A., and A. E. Nelson. The conference closed with a largely attended Sacramental Service, conducted by the Rev. A. McCrea, M.A.

The annual united Belfast Methodist, Congregational and Moravian Ministers' Fraternal meeting was held last week in Belfast, the Rev. A. McCrea, M.A., presiding. There was a large attendance, and it was interesting to see that the Rev. Dr. Alexander Cairns, Minister of Donegall Street Congregational Church, Belfast, was accompanied by his two sons, who are also Congregational Ministers. The Rev. R. G. Lloyd (Moravian) read a paper on post-war reconstruction, which initiated a useful discussion. It was the Methodists' turn this year to entertain the meeting, and this was done by the Rev. J. N. Spence and his staff.

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